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For Sion's sake I will not hold my Peace, and for the sake of Jerusalem I will not rest until the JUST ONE comes forth as Brightness, and her SAVIOUR be lighted as a Lamp—Isaias, lxii, II.

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CATHOLICITY VERSUS CONGREGATIONALISM

One of our Subscribers in a western diocese, having received an appeal for the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost*, wrote us the following letter:

"Rev. and dear Father: In answer to your appeal am compelled to say it is impossible to send any money. Our Pastor will refuse the Sacraments to any of his parishioners who send one cent of money out of the Diocese."

To this we sent back the following reply:

"I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter in which you say that your Pastor would refuse the Sacraments to any of his congregation that sent one cent of money out of the Diocese. I feel quite sure that your Pastor would not stand for such a statement, and would be glad to have you show him this letter, and ask him to write to me to that effect. You must be doing him some injustice."

We can hardly believe that the Pastor was correctly quoted. But, that there is too much of the spirit of parochialism abroad, and too little of TRUE CATHOLICISM, as far as obeying Our Lord's command: *"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature,"* we must sorrowfully confess. About two years ago the *Church Extension Magazine* had an editorial on this subject which we quoted at length in THE LAMP.

One of the things that is going to save SPIRITUALITY in a lot of city parishes in the United States is devotion to the Foreign Missions, or to Home Missions in those parts of our country where Catholics are fewer in ratio to the population than they are in China.

As long as the support of the parochial school and other needs of the parish cause the spirit of sacrifice to be daily exercised among the parishioners, a corresponding depth of piety and faith will manifest itself in the congregation. But, just as soon as parishes begin to get on "easy street" financially, if the Pastors desire to keep up the spiritual tone of their people they will do wisely and well to encourage them to give to the Missions, and to other causes beyond the borders of the parish. To give alms is one of the essentials of the Catholic life, and is linked by Our Lord with fasting and prayer; and any Catholic who fails in either of these three is going to suffer spiritually in consequence.

Some Sundays ago the Editor of THE LAMP was invited by a truly apostolic pastor to present the claims of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* to his people at the Masses which followed each other every hour from six o'clock to twelve. Big congregations were at every Mass, and at some standing room was at a premium. The number of communions made was wonderful. Although his congregation still worships in a basement, there is only one church in a diocese of a million souls which contributes a larger sum annually to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

There is no question about it, that some Pastors are a great deal more Catholic minded in recognizing the claims of a world-wide Church on the alms of the faithful everywhere than are others; and THE LAMP will ever rejoice as often as we see this broad spirit of Catholic Charity manifesting itself, especially among the Pastors of great city parishes.

THE THREE HOUR PASSION SERVICE

In our Graymoor Annals for May, we expressed the hope that the observance of the Three Hour Service on Good Friday may become more widely adopted in our parishes, inasmuch as "it is tremendously impressive and the people appreciate it immensely wherever they are given an opportunity to participate." In this connection it is interesting to quote the brief, leading editorial in The Western Catholic, Quincy, Ill., for May 3d, as follows:

WE WERE MISTAKEN

In our last issue we stated in effect that Quincy was the only city in our Diocese in which The Tre Ore Services were held!

We were mistaken! We failed to reckon with our zealous young Bishop!

He had The Tre Ore Services in his Cathedral last Good Friday from 12 to 3 o'clock, the sermons being delivered by Rev. Ignatius Conroy, C. P., the eloquent Passionist Missionary from Norwood, Chicago, Ill.

The Bishop's example will do much towards making this admirable service usual in our diocese.

With this encouragement, therefore, we renew the hope that in the years to come this service which enables us also to stand by the Cross and weep, may have an opportunity to win from the hearts of the people, in larger measure, that response it seems ever to command. Only the Mass

of the Presanctified is permitted on Good Friday, and it seems a day particularly suited to the "preaching of the Cross" in the Tre Ore devotion.

SOLEMN MEMORIAL FOR WALTER GEORGE SMITH

Cardinal Dougherty Sang Pontifical Month's Mind Mass in Cathedral

A Solemn Pontifical Month's Mind Mass for the happy repose of the soul of the late Walter George Smith, Knight Commander of the Order of St. Gregory the Great, distinguished member of the Philadelphia Bar and of the Board of Education, who died on April 4th, was celebrated in the Cathedral at 10 A. M. on Thursday, May 8th. His Eminence pontificated.

Out of respect to the memory of the departed, the public schools were closed. Members of the Board of Education, a delegation of teachers headed by Superintendent of Schools Broome, Sisters of various religious orders, and a large number of the laity were in attendance. Members of Mr. Smith's immediate family occupied special pews during the service.

Among the clergy in the sanctuary were the Right Rev. Bishop Crane, the Right Rev. Bishop Hogan of Scranton, the Right Rev. Monsignors James P. Sinnott, M. C. Donovan, R. Barry-Doyle, and the Revs. John J. Mellon, Lawrence J. Wall, John J. Moore, Robert J. Thompson, M. Romagno, O. SS. T., Isidor Jenne, O. SS. T., John W. Keogh, Lawrence Rogan, Jaro, P. I., Peter A. Daly, Edward F. Cunnie, Richard W. Gaughan, Bernard A. McKenna, D. D., and Joseph M. Corrigan, D. D.

Rev. Dr. Healy who preached on this occasion pronounced a splendid and well-merited eulogy on the sterling faith, manifold good-works and versatility of interests and responsibilities Mr. Smith had exercised as a model Catholic layman, distinguished writer and zealous philanthropist.

The picture which we are privileged to publish, containing Mr. Smith's own autograph, was very kindly forwarded to the Editor of The Lamp by Mr. Thomas Kilby Smith, a brother of Walter George Smith.

As mentioned in our last issue, we came into close touch with Mr. Smith in connection with Monsignor Barry-Doyle's Near East Relief work, which he greatly assisted in every way.

NEAR EAST LOSES BENEFACTOR

Walter George Smith, of Philadelphia, who died on April 4th, was one of America's most prominent and best-beloved Catholic laymen. He was at one time President of the American Bar Association, was for nineteen years Trustee of the University of Pennsylvania, and also a member of the Philadelphia Board of Education. For many years he was interested in the passage of uniform laws, particularly in regard to divorce, and was a member of the Board of Commissions of Uniform State Laws in Pennsylvania.

Among Mr. Smith's philanthropic activities the most outstanding was his work with the Near East Relief, of which he was a member of the Board of Trustees. In recognition of his great service to this organization, the Executive Committee passed the following resolution:

"In the death of Walter George Smith the officers, trustees and members of the Executive Committee of Near East Relief have suffered the loss of a devoted fellow-worker and beloved friend.

"He was among the first to respond to the call of the suffering, persecuted and distressed of the Near East. In 1919, almost immediately following the armistice, he was a leading member of the special commission sent to the Near East to survey and report on the relief and reconstruction problem. After his return he was, by voice, pen and personal influence, indefatigable in championing the rights of the subject races of the Near East.

"His memory will be treasured by all, who in any measure had entered into his life."

Church Unity Octave Echoes

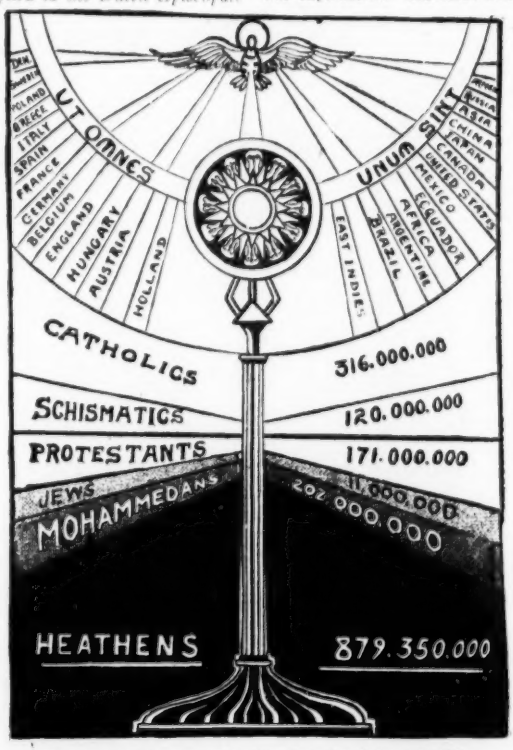
HOLLAND FALLS IN LINE

Rev. C. H. Chanckx, S. J., of Maastricht is the Promoter of the Church Unity Octave in Holland. Under date of January 6th he communicated to the Editor of THE LAMP the following report as to the Observance of the Church Unity Octave in Holland this year.

"As you know, we applied to the Dutch Episcopate for approbation of the Octave. On Dec. 22nd I received word from Msgr. Schrijnen that each Bishop, if asked, would probably recommend the Octave to his Diocesans. At the same time His Grace granted the recommendation for his Diocese. I thereon wrote to the four other Bishops, and soon received the requested answer. I might say that the Archbishop granted his recommendation whole-heartedly. I expect this news will please you!

"We were able to send circulars to all the Parish Priests and to most of the Convents in Holland. I am enclosing a copy of these circulars. We now hope to spread a considerable number of leaflets this year. You may be sure to hear the result of our efforts when the C. U. O. is over.

"How do you like the picture on the new leaflets, of which you will find a copy enclosed? The sketch was drawn by one of my colleagues. It seems very expressive."



Frontispiece of Holland Leaflet Translated into English

VIENNA PRIEST PROMOTES OCTAVE

Reverend Father Superior:

The Church Unity Octave is now over. We have made propaganda for it through our newspapers and through the sending of many prayer formulas in Austria, Hungary, Southslavia, Bohemia Republic, Germany, Switzerland, Poland, Denmark, Italy, Roumania, Brazil, Syria, etc. In the Netherlands 35,000 prayer formulas were printed and distributed in the Hollandish language, and all the Bishops of Netherland have recommended the Church Unity Octave to their people.

At Vienna it was preached again in a great many churches, in six churches all the days. For the first time were arranged special addresses for truth-seekers and those which stand out from the Church, during this Octave in two Churches and two halls. This experiment succeeded beyond our expectation. The halls and churches were very much visited. There were coming also many Jews, Protestants, Free-thinkers, Sectaries, etc. In our church "Am Hof" at the beginning of the Octave there were thousands of people in attendance. Father P. Stonner, S. J., the preacher was applied for by Jews and Protestants for particular enlightenment and for instruction with a view to changing their religion. In this Church His Em. Cardinal Piffl held the final devotion. Continuation of the work will be held in Vienna in regular courses for converts. From ordinariat goes a circular to all the parishes, instructing them to send us the converts. In our house "Am Hof" will hold from now on a course of 20 lessons for those who crave conversion. Fr. P. Richlmair, S. J. will be the instructor.

With sincere veneration and thankfulness, Most truly your servant in Christ,

ANTON PUNTIGAN, S. J.

A few weeks ago, something of a sensation was caused in Scottish ecclesiastical circles by the conversion of the Rev. Dr. A. P. S. Tullock, a former Presbyterian minister, to the Catholic Church, as the result of a careful study of the Reformation and Catholic doctrine. During the period of study he taught his congregation as much of the Catholic Faith as he himself was acquainted with. Finally he arrived at the point where it was clear to him that at the time of the Reformation the Church of Scotland had deliberately separated itself from the Catholic Church and had erred in so doing.

MULTUM IN PARVO

Edited by Brother Saul, T. S. A.

Subscribers to the N. C. W. C. News Service, Washington, Catholic News Service of London, Etc.

In connection with the Archdiocesan Charities' Annual drive which began on Sunday, May 11th, His Eminence Cardinal Hayes broadcasted his message from radio station WEAF in the evening of the same day. Four years ago Cardinal Hayes consolidated 260 organizations under a single head, thus eliminating duplication. His work has won for him, particularly in Europe, the title "Cardinal of Charities."

Papers to be read at the International Eucharistic Congress at Amsterdam, Holland, June 22-27, will fall under three general classifications, according to announcement made through the Fathers of the Blessed Sacrament. These three topics are: (1) "The idea of atonement; general need for atonement; special need for it in our day;" (2) "The Mission of atonement taken up by Christ as Priest, and continued by the Church in the Sacrifice of the Mass;" (3) "Our atoning mission joined to that of the Church." The papers read will be in Dutch, French, English, German, Spanish and Italian.

The language Element in Education is the topic chosen for discussion at the Sixth Annual Meeting of the Franciscan Educational Conference to be held at Mount Calvary, Wisconsin, June 27-29. The meeting is to be held under the auspices of the Provincial Superiors, and a special effort is being made to induce the attendance of language teachers from the various provinces of the Franciscans.

Nine teachers who have been associated with a Catholic school at Old Swan, Liverpool, for twenty-five years, have received gold wrist watches from Canon Clarkson, who has himself just completed twenty-five years in the parish. The school's feat in retaining nine teachers for a quarter of a century is believed to constitute a record among parochial schools.

Mother St. Paul of the Cross, until recently superior of the monastery of the Precious Blood in Portland, Ore., and six sisters of her order from Manchester, N. H., left May 7th for China, where they will establish a monastery, at the invitation of Monsignor H. Mecroant of Peking. The new house of the Precious Blood community will be at Tientsin, in the province of Chihli.

Despite a steady increase in the number of Catholic children attending high schools in recent years, 73 per cent today are not in such schools, the N. C. W. C. Department of Education has revealed in its preparations for its drive to put Catholic children in Catholic high schools. This situation, says the department, must be remedied at once, and it counts on Catholic High School Week, conducted May 11 to 17, to bring about a radical change in the figures for next year.

The Association of Polish Free-Thinkers, formed in November, 1921, is making a vigorous effort to spread its doctrines among the young men of Poland. So far, it has not enjoyed any great success, but it is sufficiently strong to be regarded as dangerous on the theory that a small spark, if not quenched, may grow into a great fire. The danger is particularly noticeable among some of the young men in the colleges, who are not so firm in their faith as they might be—due largely to the influence of a few university professors who have espoused the cause of the Free Thinkers. Poland is a thoroughly Catholic country, with about twenty million active members of the Church. Poles are not merely racial Catholics; they are thoroughly practical in the exercise of their religion. This is proved by their attendance at Mass and their reception of the Sacraments.

Retention of power in the Reichstag by the Coalition, with the Centrum or Catholic Party keeping its dominant role and holding fast to virtually the same number of actual seats it had in the old Reichstag; the sad failure of Ludendorff's extreme nationalists and anti-Catholics to show anything like the strength they so blandly claimed, and a sharp rise in the communist power, are outstanding results of the German elections. The Nationalists gained, but the much heralded violent swing to the Right failed to appear.

On March 24th, the House of Representatives, disregarding all party lines, passed the Fish Bill by a vote of 240 to 97, and it is now pending in the Senate. All of us, in favor of government aid for the relief of starvation in Germany, and, incidentally, of the distress of our farmers, by ridding them of some of their surplus grain, should get in touch with one of our Senators. But we trust before this issue of THE LAMP reaches our Readers, the Bill will have been confirmed by the Senate.

Of the one million dollar fund projected for the restoration of Louvain Library, $400,000 have been raised, and it is now very much desired that the remaining $600,000 be subscribed this year so that the work can go on and its completion help to mark the 5th Centennial of Louvain Library which is to be observed next year. Cardinal Hayes has endorsed the work of

Mrs. Nicholas F. Brady of 989 Fifth Avenue, New York, in this behalf.

As a result of the conclave at Ghent in connection with the reformation of the Gregorian Calendar the fixation of Easter is still being agitated. Since 325 A. D. the present rule has obtained. The "Paschal Moon" has not only historic associations and aesthetic perquisites, but seems also to have a practical bearing in nature's sequences. For example, it has been repeatedly noticed that an early Easter means an early Spring, and a late Easter—a late Spring, which has certainly been verified this year, an unusually late Easter being accompanied by an unusually late Spring. A fixed Easter would also deprive us of some of the Gospels in both the Epiphany and Pentecost seasons.

Four hundred members of the St. Louis General Assembly Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus visited Kenrick Seminary, St. Louis, and there received Holy Communion. After the Mass they were the guests of Very Rev. M. C. Ryan, C. M., president of the institution, at breakfast. Immediately before the breakfast a check for $6,000 was presented to Archbishop Glennon in full payment of a Seminary burse donated entirely by members of the General Assembly. Faithful Navigator John J. Griffin made the presentation address, to which the Archbishop responded.

Preparations for the Irish National Pilgrimage to Lourdes are well advanced. Judging by the applications already received it is certain that more than 4,000 persons will take part in the Pilgrimage. On behalf of the Catholics of Ireland it is proposed to erect a national memorial in the form of a large cross at the Grotto.

A large quantity of books has just been received by the Central Catholic Library in Dublin as a gift from the French Government. These books include the entire works of Bossuet, Fenelon, Bourdaloue, Racine, Corneille, Lacordaire, and Massillon, together with various volumes dealing with sacred art and music.

The bogus "oath" of the Knights of Columbus is being circulated throughout England. In the North it is being fastened on to the Knights of St. Columba, a rapidly growing organization which is modeled on the American order and the growth of which is evidently a matter of concern to Protestant bigots. There are already 12,000 Knights of St. Columba in that country. Their development has not yet gone beyond the first degree.

Another divorce bill has been defeated, this time in the English House of Commons. It was introduced by Dr. Spero under the "ten minute rule," and was defeated by a small margin of nine votes. The object of the bill was to permit divorce after a separation of five years, whether by judicial order or by mutual deed of separation, and to allow the dissolution of a marriage if either party fails to reappear after seven years absence. The bill was beaten by the votes of the Catholic members, as twelve put their weight in the scale against it.

La Croix of Paris has published some official statistics which give striking evidence of the progress of Catholicism in Holland. For a total of more than 2,000,000 Catholics (a third of the total population of Holland), there were at the beginning of the present year, 1,184 parishes administered by 2,736 priests, the result of a constant increase during the last hundred years. As a matter of fact, in 1815 Holland had but 673 parishes with 925 priests and in 1910 there were 1,014 parishes with 2,310 priests.

The French Government, having examined a report submitted by the Minister of the Interior has repealed the decree of June 30, 1914, pronouncing the dissolution of the Hospital Order of Benedictine Nuns of Notre Dame du Calvaire of Orleans and ordering the liquidation of their property and holdings. The Minister of the Interior and the Minister of Finance are charged with the execution of the new decree. This is the second decree issued by the French Government restoring legal existence to a religious order which has been dissolved. The first was in favor of the religious of Broons and was motivated by the desire to recognize the splendid assistance given by the nuns of Broons to the Army Medical Service.

Despite the formidable handicaps of the proverbial poverty in India and a Catholic population almost wholly made up of natives who speak only the vernacular tongues, the promotion of Catholic newspapers in India is making progress. Recently two new weeklies have made their appearance, and there has been formed here the Indian Catholic News Service, with a broad system of gathering Catholic news in the peninsula.

The children were again favored when they attended a Solemn Pontifical Mass celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Auxiliary Bishop, John J. Dunn, V. G., in the presence of the new Cardinal. At this Mass there were present representatives of every parochial school and Catholic high school in the city. The only address was made by His Eminence, Cardinal Hayes.

The first pastoral to be issued by Cardinal Hayes, who has been termed the "Cardinal of Charity," was an appeal for the charities of the archdiocese, which opened a united campaign Sunday, May 11, for $1,500,000. His Eminence recalled that the charity contributions of the archdiocese for the last four years have averaged $1,000,000 a year. "Today the world looks to America for leadership, and America looks to New York," he concluded. "We must not be found wanting."

Ground has been broken in Houston, Tex., at an impressive ceremony, for the $500,000 buildings of the splendid new mother house, novitiate and conventual chapel of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, of Galveston. The Rt. Rev. C. E. Byrne, D. D., Bishop of Galveston, officiated, and the superioress and sisters of the communities of the Congregation attended. The novitiate now at Galveston will be moved to Houston as soon as the buildings are ready, in about a year.

PERSONALS

In Paris on March 17th, occurred the death of M. Visconte d'Hendercourt, the President-General of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, so well known because of its deeds of charity. The late President-General was a man of broad vision and of keen insight. He felt that the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was a plastic institution which should adjust itself to the varying needs of the different countries in which it found itself.

A recommendation that "an infallibility" of the Pope and the Primacy of the Bishop of Rome, be accepted in his church as a basis for reunion was made by the Rev. G. H. Barry, Rector of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, New York, in an address to the Priests' Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Eastern States in Philadelphia. Dr. Barry's remarks were vigorously applauded by the 700 clergymen and bishops of his church who attended the convention. In accordance with a convention rule, there was no discussion of the paper.

M. Albert Depreaux, one of the most distinguished military historians in France, has obtained from the French war office the necessary permission to compile from the official military archives the first authentic history ever written of the Irish Brigades which fought in the service of France. M. Depreaux is the author of many important records in French military history and holds the position of Librarian and vice-president of the Thiers Foundation in Paris.

Obsequies for two noted characters were held in Catholic churches in New York last month—Eleonora Duse, greatest of modern tragediennes, and Charles F. Murphy, for twenty-two years ruler of Tammany Hall. They ruled in widely differing realms, and their spheres never touched. Yet they had a common ground. Each was an exemplar of that broad catholicity that expands the word Catholic to its basic meaning—Universal. Each was loved by hundreds of thousands of every worldly degree, race and belief.

Dr. Victor F. Cullen of the Maryland State Sanitorium, and George C. Jenkins of Baltimore have been named by the Pope as members of the Order of the Knights of St. Gregory the Great. Announcement to this effect was made by the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, at whose request the decorations were awarded by the Holy See, for humanitarian and philanthropic work.

Charles J. Costello, Catholic educator who has become nationally known as an authority on industrial education, has been appointed principal of the new East Buffalo high school, to be erected shortly. The Buffalo school board honored Mr. Costello by voting unanimously to grant him the post.

Admiral Robert E. Coontz, commander of the United States Fleet, his aides and detachments from every ship in the Pacific fleet, were present at the brilliant navy ball given in Canal Zone at the National Catholic Welfare Conference Community House. Enlisted men from the fleet were given special night liberty for the occasion. Commander Irwin of the 15th Naval District, and Captain and Mrs. Hines were in charge, assisted by a committee of ladies, and bands from the U. S. S. "New Mexico" and the flagship of the U. S. S. "California," provided the music. Three hundred attended the ball which was for the benefit of the Relief Fund.

The Rev. Joseph M. Denning, Catholic Priest of the Cincinnati Archdiocese who has been American Consul-General at Tangier, Morocco, for the past two years, has resigned from the consular service. He plans to resume his pastoral duties, according to information available at the State Department. Father Denning was formerly pastor of St. Mary's Church at Marion, Ohio, President Harding's home town. It was the latter who appointed Father Denning to the post from which he has just resigned.

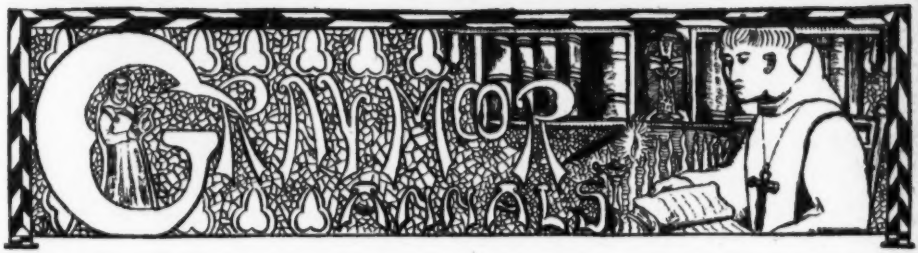
German officialdom and the German press, without regard to party, joined in felicitating Cardinal Pacelli, the Papal Nuncio, on the occasion of the recent celebration of his Silver Jubilee as a priest. The German government sent its congratulations, and Premier Braun of Prussia, Chancellor Marx and Dr. Stressman, Minister of Foreign Affairs added their good wishes. Cardinal Pacelli is regarded highly throughout the Reich for his ability, his impartial justice and his tactful conduct in these troublous times. He has proved a true friend to the German people, aiding much in relieving post-war suffering and assisting war prisoners.

Four ex-soldiers have been ordained Catholic priests in England in the last few days. At Bradford, the Bishop of Leeds raised to the priesthood three students whose seminary training was interrupted by service with the colors in France. One of them was seriously wounded. The same Bishop, at Ushaw College, ordained the Rev. John Magin, who was wounded in action and was imprisoned in both Germany and Russia. The Bishop also ordained a former Church of England clergyman, Mr. Harris.

Ireland has lost one of the most scholarly and distinguished members of its clergy in the death, in his seventy-second year, of Dr. Kelly, Bishop of Ross. Dr. Kelly, prior to his consecration as Bishop of Ross, had been at the Seminary of the Killaloe diocese at Ennis, Clare County, for 20 years, first as a professor and eventually as president.

Chicago made elaborate plans for the reception of His Eminence, Cardinal Mundelein, and these were carried out with imposing effect on May 11th, when the Cardinal reached his See City. The glad event was civic as well as religious and will long shine resplendent in the annals of the "Windy City." Before leaving Rome the Grand Cross of the Sovereign Order of Malta was conferred on Cardinal Mundelein, at a private ceremony at his hotel. The decoration is the first of its class to be conferred on an American citizen, and will make Cardinal Mundelein the highest representative of the Order in North America.

Sir John O'Connell, K. S. G., and the Rev. W. Turley C. C., who are visiting Rome as a delegation from the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, are charged with the mission of presenting to His Holiness, the Pope, an address of profound affection and veneration for the Chair of Peter on behalf of the Society.



On the Feast of the Invention of the Holy Cross, May 3rd, a Solemn High Mass was celebrated at the open-air Shrine of Our Lady of the Atonement on the Sisters' Convent Grounds. This was the inauguration of the May Novena to Our Lady of the Atonement.

We were correct in our prognostication that the number of Petitions sent in by our Rosarians to this Novena would establish a new record. The total number of Petitions recorded for the Novena was TWENTY THOUSAND mailed to the Sisters by FIVE THOUSAND ROSARIANS from all parts of the United States and Canada.

Our Lady smiled down from her throne in Heaven out of a cloudless sky. It was the most perfect Spring morning experienced by Graymoorians since the passing of Winter.

On the First Sunday in May some Seventy Pilgrims from the Sacred Heart Parish, New York City, came in motor busses from the metropolis, arriving on the Mount of the Atonement in the early afternoon, and after partaking of the lunch they brought with them, supplemented with hot coffee and ice cream supplied by the Friars, they assembled in the College Library for a short program of music, introduced by an address of welcome from the Father Founder. Next they made a tour of the Friary Grounds, and then assembled in St. Francis' Monastery Church for the Rosary and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, after which they returned to New York.

This inaugurated the series of Sunday Pilgrimages to Graymoor for the season of 1924. Their smiling faces reminded the Editor of one of the hymns we sing at Graymoor which runs as follows:

"Oh, happy band of Pilgrims
If onward ye will tread
With JESUS as your King
To JESUS as your Head."

Speaking of hymns reminds us of the fact that a new organ is much needed in our Friary Church. There is an Estey Organ of very fine tone that will serve our purpose excellently well, the price of which installed will be One Thousand Dollars.

Some time ago we mentioned about this organ in THE LAMP, and received as a result a contribution of One Hundred Dollars. With this initial contribution to start with, we ask further donations, which will be published from month to month in THE LAMP until the Thousand Dollars necessary to purchase the new organ is in the Treasurer's hands.

The first newly-built house in Graymoor Village is now being erected by Mr. Joseph Hahn a Brooklyn lawyer. Our carpenters, masons, and workmen are putting it up, and Mr. Hahn has expressed himself as highly pleased with the results to date. We give a picture of the bungalow as it now stands.

The Hahn Bungalow, Graymoor Village

The small cottage on that part of the Village property which was known formerly as the "Maynard Farm" has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan, also of Brooklyn.

Mr. James Costello has bought the large house near the cottage, and is overhauling it at the present time with the intention of making it the Graymoor Village Inn. He also plans to erect a gasoline station and lunch pavilion in connection with the Inn.

The Philipstown Electric Corporation are now putting in their poles for the installation of electricity for the Village, and already the pipe line has been laid bringing water to the houses on the Village property from our own pumping station on the East Side of the Mount of the Atonement.

Several other New York and Brooklyn parties have purchased lots, and will erect their bungalows later. Therefore, as far as Graymoor Village is concerned we can report this month encouraging progress.

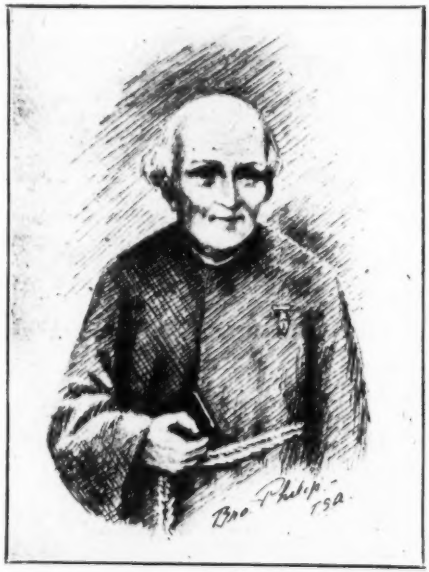
In the April LAMP we asked for volunteer benefac-

tors to supply statues of our Patron Saints for the niches provided for them in the Shrine of Our Lady of the Atonement which crowns the flight of steps from the Novitiate Building to the higher ground on the Mountain. The statues already supplied are those of Our Lady, St. Joseph, and St. Anthony. St. Francis, St. Clare, St. Peter, St. Paul and St. John Baptist are still to be supplied. We are asking One Hundred Dollars for each of the statues.

The Pilgrims from New York on the First Sunday in May gave the First Three Hundred Dollars towards the erection of the Stations of the Cross from the foot of the Mount of the Atonement to its summit, and they have asked the privilege of supplying the balance necessary for the purpose.

By way of remembrance on the part of our Readers, we here repeat the notice given some time ago that there is conducted in the Chapel of the Novitiate a Perpetual Novena to St. Joseph, corresponding to the Perpetual Novena to St. Anthony which is conducted in the Friars' Church on the Mount of the Atonement. But whereas the Novena to St. Anthony begins on Tuesday of each week, the Novena to St. Joseph begins on Wednesday.

The Clients of St. Joseph are invited to make use of this Novena. It will be the happiness of our Novices to present these Petitions to the Foster Father of Our Blessed Lord and the Spouse of Our Lady. Being kept in close retirement the Novices have more time to pray than the Friars who are actively engaged in good works, and on that account their intercessions ought to be the more efficacious.



The Latest Picture of Brother Philip (John Reid)

A NEW PICTURE OF BROTHER PHILIP, T. S. A.

This was drawn by one of the most gifted artists in Canada. She is a Sacred Heart Nun, and has idealized his picture after making a careful study of the few snapshots of Brother Philip we have in our possession.

We intend to have this picture also printed in postcard form for those of our Readers who would desire to have Brother Philip's picture in their home.

John M. C., N. Y. C.: *"Enclosed please find money order for two dollars for favor received from Brother Philip in about ten minutes after praying to him."*

TESTIMONIALS TO THE POWER OF BROTHER PHILIP'S INTERCESSION

C. B. D., Albany, N. Y.: *"I had suffered for weeks from intestinal grippe, and for months from the horrible pains of acute indigestion. Medicine, rest, exercise and even prayers availed me naught. I happened to read the article on page forty-five of the February 15th issue of* THE LAMP, (SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF BROTHER PHILIP'S DEATH.) *That night while saying my evening prayers after having been to confession, I begged a prayer from God of John Reid, (Brother Philip.) I awoke next morning without the usual nauseous pain, and the grippe was entirely gone. I have since had only a couple of attacks of indigestion, attributable to usual causes, but soon leaving me."*

Mrs. T. F. N., Waterbury, Conn.: *"Enclosed please find five dollars for the John Reid Burse in thanksgiving for a favor received through his intercession."*

M. A. P., Bangor, Maine: *"I enclose an offering to the John Reid Burse, which I promised if my sister got relief from an abscess in her throat, which she did immediately. I prayed to him the night before last, and she is now nearly well. Thanks to Brother Philip; I shall always ask his intercession."*

M. F. J., New York: *"I am sending one dollar in thanksgiving to Brother Philip for helping me out of a terrible situation this A. M."*

A LAMP Member: *"Please say a Mass in thanksgiving for a speedy answer to my intercession for financial help. I invoked Brother Philip, and my prayer was answered at once. Please publish so that others may find help also."*

M. S., New York City: *"I am sending money order for my renewal of* THE LAMP, *and feel it my duty to tell you of a wonderful thing that happened. About four weeks ago I received the magazine with a notice saying this would be the last I would receive, and to kindly send in my renewal. Am ashamed to admit that I seldom read it. Two weeks ago I picked it up, and opening it, I read of Brother Philip, and of his help of which many people spoke. Having trouble in renting a room and a garage, I promised if Brother Philip would help me I would renew my subscription. (I had decided not to renew it.) The very next day I rented my room. I had made a promise some time ago of ten dollars for Masses for the Poor Souls if I got my request. This I promised to send to* THE LAMP *if I rented my garage, which I did two days later; thanks to Brother Philip's help. I mentioned the fact to friends of mine. They were much interested and asked to become subscribers. You can rest assured I will not fail to read the magazine."*

GRAYMOOR BURSES

The only two Burses which have climbed the ladder towards the top of the list as shown in the following report are those of St. John Baptist, and Our Lady of Lourdes. St. John Baptist has climbed from Number Fifteen to Number Twelve. One of our generous Benefactors has contributed one hundred dollars to his Burse. Our Lady of Lourdes has ascended from Number Twenty-Two to Number Nineteen.

Once again the JOHN REID BURSE *leads all others in popularity and largest number of Individual Contributions. It is to be noted that this Burse is pressing the* SACRED HEART NUMBER TWO *very closely, and unless the latter Burse receives some substantial contributions in the next thirty days, the July* LAMP *will give a report with the John Reid Burse as Number Three, if not Number Two.*

We want to call the attention of our Readers to the introduction of a new Burse receiving the name of Pope Pius X. Now that Pope Pius X of Holy Memory is represented in the list, we prophesy that it will become one of the favorites, and will climb, as we hope, steadily towards the top.

COMPLETED BURSES

Sacred Heart Burse, No. 1; St. Peter's, St. Francis', No. 1; St. Anthony's, No. 1; St. Agnes', Poor Souls.

BURSES NOT COMPLETED

(1) St. Francis Xavier: M. S., $2; Mrs. E. M. S., $1; F. S., $10; R. J. F., $5; Mrs. P. H., $1; Mrs. C. L., $1; Client, $1; T. J. T., $1. Total: $1,994.77.

(2) Holy Spirit: Total: $1,716.75.

(3) Sacred Heart, No. 2: Total: $1,591.42.

(4) John Reid: M. D., $1; Mrs. J. B. W., $2; A. R. McK., $5; Mrs. R., $5; Mrs. F. E. A., $5; M. M. L., $16; Mrs. T. J. S., $2; Miss M. S., $2; Mrs. A. G., 50c; Mrs. J. P. D., $1; J. C. W., $1; N. N., $1.50; Mrs. M. E. O'D., $2; Mrs. W. T., $5; Mrs. C. R., $1; Mrs. T. M., $2.50; Sr. M. F., $5; Mrs. R. T., $5; F. A. W., $9.50; Miss D. B., $1; Mrs. J. B., 50c; Mrs. M. C., $1; Mrs. J. N., $2; M. M., $5; M. M., $1; Miss M. C., $1.06; Mrs. E. S., $5; Client, $1; A. T. L., $1; Mrs. M. H. H., $2; Guest, $5; F. W. L., $2; C. E., $2; Mrs. T. C., H., $1; M. E. O., $2; R. L., $2. Total: $1,551.18.

(5) Our Lady of the Atonement: K. L. R., $1; H. C. (for R. M.) $9; Mrs. T. B. S., $2; Miss E. E. H., $2; R. J. C., $2; K. L. R., $1. Total: $1,381.47.

(6) St. Anthony No. 2: Mrs. Z. B. G., $1; Mrs. A. P., $1; F. A. W., $2.50; Mrs. J. R. H., $3; Mrs. E. M. S., $1; Mrs. A. J. B., $20; Miss M. D., $1; F. S., $5; Client, $1; A. M. T., $5. Total: $990.41.

(7) Little Flower: Mrs. J. J. D., $20; Mrs. E. M., $2; Sr. E., $1; Mrs. T. B. S., $2; M. J. C., 50c; Mrs. D. J. Q., $1; A. N., $5; Mrs. K., $1; Mrs. K. M., $1; Client, $1; Miss H. T. R., $10. Total: $914.68.

(8) Sts. Simon and Jude: Total: $492.50.

(9) St. Joseph: M. S., $2; J. C. S., $6.25; Mrs. S. De F., $1; F. S., $2; G. K. S., $1; Miss G. C. H., $1; G. K. S., Jr., $1. Total: $423.85.

(10) Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Mrs. Z. B. G., $1; F. S., $2; Mrs. A. R., $5; Client, $1. Total: $342.00.

(11) Immaculate Conception: Miss M. S., $2; C. J. G., $10. Total: $321.50.

(12) St. John Baptist: Friend, $100. Total: $321.00.

(13) St. Ann: Miss M. D., $1. Total: $258.25.

(14) St. Rita: M. S., $2; Mrs. M. C., $1; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. C., $1; Mrs. C. L. S., $1. Total: $250.50.

(15) St. Vincent: Total: $233.00.

(16) Holy Souls: Mrs. A. J., 50c. Total: $159.00.

(17) Hope: Total: $126.00.

(18) St. Paul: Total: $118.50.

(19) Our Lady of Lourdes: C. S. De C., $20; A. E. W., $5; F. S., $2; K. D., $2. Total: $114.18.

(20) Holy Face: E. S. B., $1; C. A. K., $5. Total: $114.00.

(21) Blessed Sacrament: E. V. L., $2. Total: $108.00.

(22) Holy Family: Total: $92.50.

(23) St. Francis No. 2: Total: $82.25.

(24) St. Margaret Mary: Total: $72.50.

(25) St. William: Total: $70.00.

(26) St. Patrick: J. K., $5; G. R., $1. Total: $65.25.

(27) Our Lady of Victory: Z. B. G., $1. Total: $58.50.

(28) Thy Kingdom Come: Total: $55.00.

(29) St. Nicholas: Total: $50.00.

(30) Pius X.: Mrs. W. J. B., $50. Total: $50.00.

(31) Precious Blood: Friend, $1. Total: $47.00.

(32) St. Jeanne d'Arc: Total: $35.00.

(33) Five Wounds: Total: $33.50.

(34) Our Lord's Sacred Shoulder: Total: $6.00.

(35) St. Rose: Total: $5.00.

(36) Our Lady of Luxemburg: Total: $5.00.

(37) Blessed Imelda: Total: $5.00.

(38) Sorrowful Mother: Total: $4.00.

(39) Forty Martyrs of Uganda: Total: $2.00.

(40) Holy Rosary: Total: $1.00.

(41) St. Alisses: Total: $1.00.

(42) St. Roch: Total: $1.00.

BURSE STARTED IN HONOR OF POPE PIUS X.

Mrs. W. J. B., Chicago, Ill.: *"Would you please allow me to start a Burse for our late Pope Pius X, of whom you wrote in your magazine recently? I am asking a favor of him, and if granted will give ten dollars monthly as long as I live; and I thought it might appeal to those people who were fortunate enough to have had an audience with him."*

TEN DOLLARS EVERY MONTH

C. L., Calif.: *"I am enclosing check for twenty dollars to be used for Our Lady of Lourdes' Burse. I promised I would send ten dollars for the rest of my life, and I failed to do so last month."*

TO THE SACRED HEART FOR THE POOR SOULS

M. R., Jamaica, N. Y.: *"Enclosed please find $5.00 I promised in honor of the Sacred Heart for the Poor Souls, if my request was granted.*

I had an abscess in my throat and the doctor said he would cut it, so I put the Sacred Heart badge on it and promised I would send the amount enclosed and have it published in THE LAMP. *Thanks to the Sacred Heart and Our Blessed Lady it did get better without being cut."*

TALK WITH SUBSCRIBERS

We continue to receive many complaints from our Subscribers that they have sent the money for the renewal of their subscription and got no acknowledgment. It seems necessary, therefore, to speak about the matter again, and request our Subscribers in renewing their subscriptions either to send a check, or *to get a money order at the post office.* We are sorry to put you to this extra trouble, but it is the only safe way, because more than ever before the post office service is infested with thieves. The influenza of dishonesty which seems to be affecting all classes, from the highest public officials down to those in the humblest walks of life, may explain this sad demoralization of the postal service as far as honesty is concerned. We are printing below a letter from one of our Subscribers to enforce by illustration what we have just said:

Rev. Fr. Paul:

Your letter stating that the money did not reach you for the subscription to THE LAMP *received, and this makes the second notice I have received notifying me that money enclosed in a letter not made out in Money Order was never received.*

It seems hard to believe that anyone would use money sent for charitable purposes for their own use. However, it has made me resolve to always make out a Money Order. My reason for not doing so was because I thought it made more trouble for your good helpers to handle than Cash, but I find it is not safe.

In February I sent an offering to a dear Sister in Worcester, Mass., asking her prayers for a very sick relative out West and asked her to write one of her consoling letters to her. Not hearing from either of the parties I sent a Money Order and learned that the letter with the Cash enclosed never was received.

If any of our Readers have sent money in any form to Graymoor, whether cash, money order, or check, and have received no acknowledgment in the last six months, please advise us of the fact, giving approximate date, stating the object for which the money was sent, and whether it was in the form of cash, check, or money order. When the postal thief opens a letter, if he finds cash he pockets it, if money order or check he destroys it along with the letter. It is, of course, necessary to know about the theft in order to get a new check or money order issued.

We take this occasion to thank our Subscribers for the splendid way in which they have been renewing their subscriptions during the last three months. The renewals for March were the largest in the history of our magazine, and is a fine evidence of how much the Subscribers appreciate our Graymoor Luminary.

The best way to help us get NEW SUBSCRIBERS is to ask your neighbors and friends to join the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost.* Get from them an initial contribution to its funds; forward the same to Graymoor, and we will enroll them in the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost,* and send them THE LAMP for a length of time corresponding to the amount of their subscription.

Another way to build up Our Army of Graymoor Helpers is to get your neighbors to take THE CANDLE, which is ONLY TWENTY-FIVE CENTS A YEAR, a five-year subscription being One Dollar. Anyone who has any zeal at all in working for Graymoor and the Society of the Atonement can do this. It is only the effort of asking; for what good Catholic would refuse you twenty-five cents? Please remember the promise that we have made to those who get subscriptions for THE CANDLE.

To every one sending us FOUR new subscriptions we promise an oxidized silver medal with the image of Our Lady on one side, and St. Anthony of Padua on the other; for TWELVE subscriptions a Rosary Blessed by our Holy Father, Pope Pius XI. These subscriptions must be sent in all at one time to obtain the fulfillment of this promise. Also please mention the premium you are entitled to. Address all communications to THE CANDLE, Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y.

A FAMILY LAMP

Mrs. F. M., Quincy, Ill.: "THE LAMP *seems like one of the family, and we await its arrival.*"

STUDENTS' BREAD FUND

Previously reported: $1,023.20. Received during April: A Friend, $1; N. N., $5; H. F. M., $10; Mrs. M. McL., $1; Mrs. J. M., $1; Mrs. M. K., $1.50; J. L., $5; N. M., $1; M. McC., $5; Mrs. F. J. M., $1; A Friend, 25c; M. McL., $1.50; A. A. C., $2; M. O'T., $2; Mrs. H. O'L., $1; T. C., $5; E. A. K., $25; N. A., $1; J. McA., $10; A. A. C., $1; J. M., $1; A Friend, $1; M. S. S., $33; Rev. Fr. H., $125; T. J. S., $5; R. A. S., $10; F. J. F., $5; Mrs. E. H., $5; F. C. S., $1; S. C., $25; N. T. O'D., $1; R. J. C., $200; L. A. D., $1; Mrs. E. McC., $2; N. N., 25c; M. A. McD., $5; M. D., $1; Mrs. C. L., $1; J. A. H., $1; R. L. D., $2.60; Mrs. S. L., $1; C. B., $10; Mrs. W. J., $10; St. Veronica's Parish, N. Y. C., $366.96. Total: $894.06. Grand Total: $1,917.26.

M. S., Rochester, N. Y.: "*Last year I promised the Sacred Heart that I would give fifty dollars to help educate boys who wanted to become Priests. I have not as yet saved it all, but am sending a draft for thirty-three dollars made payable to* THE LAMP, *which I hope you will be able to use for this purpose. I will send the balance of the fifty dollars as soon as I can.*"

OIL, WINE AND WAFER FUND

Miss Farrell, N. Y. C.: "*Enclosed find $1.00 for the Oil, Wine and Wafer Fund.*"

Mary Foley, Providence, R. I.: "*Enclosed find $5.00 for the Oil, Wine and Wafer Fund.*"

Mrs. M., Elizabeth, N. J.: "*Enclosed find $1.00 for the Oil, Wine and Candle Fund.*"

Sarah A., New York City: "*I take this opportunity to congratulate the Rev. Mother on her Silver Jubilee and I hope she may yet live to see the Golden Jubilee. I am enclosing this for the Wine, Wafer, Oil and Candle Fund.*"

Those interested in a Summer home or a country place for the year round should read the second (cover) page of this issue.

THE ANNUITY PLAN VERSUS LEGACIES LEFT BY WILL

Last month we had an extended Editorial on the subject of employing the Annuity Plan as an aid to the work of religion rather than leaving whatever you have to give to some Missionary Society or Religious Community in the usual way of a Last Will and Testament. Permit us to quote again from the editorial:

"We are not at all surprised at the words of the Rt. Rev. Bishop who, when conducting a retreat for priests, said: 'I often wonder why people who accumulate property do not distribute it themselves before they die, rather than leave it to an executor and lawyers to distribute after their death. Why do they not enjoy the honor of giving it while they live when they can do with it what they want done, instead of leaving it to a very uncertain distribution when they are gone.'"

A practical illustration has just come to us in the mail. It is from a firm of lawyers in a nearby city which reads as follows:

"Dear Father: We represent the estate of E. M. S., who died on March 11th, 1924. In her last will and testament she left a legacy which reads as follows: 'To the Reverend Father Paul Francis of Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y., the sum of $150.00 as an offering towards the celebration of the Gregorian Masses for the benefit of the souls of deceased members of my Family.'

Objections to the probate of this will have been filed by a relative of Miss S., and we are anxious to have the matter tried before the Surrogate this June, so that it will not be delayed by the four-months recess in court over the summer.

In order to bring the proceeding on for trial it is essential that we serve upon all legatees, of which you are one, a notice that objections have been filed to the will. This must be served personally upon you. If you are coming to the city before Wednesday, May 21st, we can accomplish our purpose by having you come to the office, and giving you a copy of the notice. If necessary we can send a representative to Garrison. If you find that this will be necessary, kindly let us know when he will be able to see you."

We cannot foresee what the outcome of this litigation over the will of a *U. N. B. L.* Benefactor will be, but that it will take some considerable time for the matter to be settled is certain and it may be many a long day before those five sets of Gregorian Masses will be discharged according to the will of the Deceased. Very probably E. M. S., had she invested the same money in an Annuity Bond of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost, the Society of the Propagation of the Faith, or Catholic Church Extension* would have received a larger income from it during her life time and immediately after her death, without recourse to the law, it would have been instantaneously available for the purposes nominated in the Bond.

SELF-DENIAL RETURNS STILL COMING IN

The Treasurer of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* informs the Editor of THE LAMP that the Grand Total of Self Denial Returns now approximate $17,500. Of course this is Only Fifty Per Cent of the $35,000 asked for, and which is really necessary to meet the obligations of the *U. N. B. L.* for the current year; but then 1924 is not quite six months old and during the last half of the earth's annual journey round the sun much can be accomplished. We take this occasion to thank most sincerely all our generous Readers who to the number of 10,000, approximately, have contributed the aggregated sum mentioned above. If Ten Thousand more in our LAMP Army will follow the example of those who have already sent their offering to the General Fund of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* since the beginning of the year, we shall yet reach the goal of $35,000 before December 31st. Meantime we are sending out *U. N. B. L.* Mite Boxes to the active Members of the Union, and we hope the returns from these will form an aftermath of large dimensions and keep the General Fund from being entirely exhausted.

WAR-SAVING "FRAGMENTS"

It is a gratification to note that our two preceding editorials on the subject of War Saving Stamps have not been in vain. Our statement that there must be thousands of these Thrift Stamps lying around in pigeon holes, and drawers, has been confirmed in the event. Thrift cards with one or more stamps attached have been coming daily, and the aggregate is already considerable. We trust that our zealous Readers will continue to "gather up" the War Savings "fragments that remain, that none of them be lost."

A TENTH PROMISED

R. L. D., "If I keep my position at the salary I now get, I promise to give a tenth to religious purposes."

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S MOTOR CLUB

One of the Readers of THE LAMP recently addressed to us the following communication:

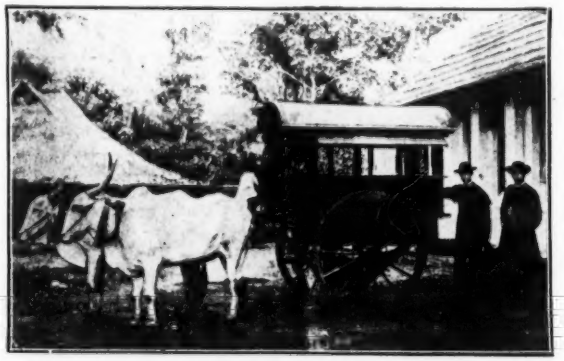
"In the article regarding Father Collins and his 'troubles' at Sour Lake, Texas, in the October LAMP, *I note you state his expenses for auto and gas amount One Thousand Dollars per year.*

May I suggest a St. Christopher's Motor Club Fund, to be kept up by LAMP *Readers who spend much money yearly for gas on pleasure trips? Surely, if all our Readers who own or drive cars would donate One Dollar a year at least, we could greatly help these Missionaries pay for gas and repairs on their automobiles, and at the same time place ourselves and our cars under the protection of St. Christopher. I am enclosing One Dollar towards this Fund."*

This strikes us as a very happy suggestion, and THE LAMP is ready to open its columns for the enrollment of the Members of such a Club, and to record their Contributions.

ST. CHRISTOPHER SAVES TRAVELER

Mrs. K. McG., Butler, Pa.: *"Enclosed please find $3.00 for St. Anthony's Bread for favors received. $1.00 Mass offering for the Poor Souls in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and $1.00 Mass offering in thanksgiving for the miraculous escape from death of my son and daughter when their machine plunged over an embankment and nosedived into a pile of rocks. With strength that was more than human my son raised the seven passenger touring car off them and they escaped with but a few lacerations, no broken bones, while the machine is a complete wreck. My son always kept a St. Christopher medal on the front of his machine, and this good Saint and God's mercy, he says, saved their lives."*



Bishop Chulaparambil of Kottayam and His Bullock Cart

WHO WILL BE NUMBER TWO TO JOIN ST. CHRISTOPHER'S MOTOR CLUB?

We would be glad to make Father Collins the recipient of contributions until his expenses are covered, and then to aid some other Missionaries at Home and Abroad who use cars in ministering the Bread of Life to scattered congregations and in preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom.

E. N. W., Meriden, Conn.: *"A short while ago I promised an offering to the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost if a business transaction that meant a great deal to me was brought to a successful conclusion. I am pleased, therefore, to enclose check for twenty-five dollars."*

THE APPEAL OF A BISHOP DEVOTED TO OUR LADY OF THE ATONEMENT

Rt. Rev. Alexander Chulaparambil, Vicar Apostolic of Kottayam, India, writes:

Feast of Our Lady of the Atonement,
July 14, 1923.

Very Reverend and dear Father:

Having known from you the date of the feast of our Lady of the Atonement, I arranged the feast to be celebrated last year in the chapel dedicated to that name, while I, absent in Europe, could join with my people only in spirit. But this year I had the consolation to join in the feast and many approached Holy Communion on account of the Plenary Indulgence which was previously announced. My consolation was really great that our Lady under this title is gradually being known in my mission. Many priests have understood the devotion and are devoted to Our Lady under that name. The Chapel inaugurated on Nov. 21, 1921, has become too small for the congregation assembling there on days of obligation and for the fathers congregating there. I am making an extension for the chapel and it will cost me not less than $500, and I must build two more altars in the chapel which will cost me $100 each. For the love of Our Lady of the Atonement I trust you to find me the amount, and I assure you Our Lady will be glorified. I am enclosing the photo of the statue and altar of Our Lady of the Atonement which I made here with the gift you sent me. I am standing by the side of the altar. At the foot of the altar kneel the boy-cleric Kuriakos (convert from Jacobitism) and 3 other boys aspiring to a religious life, all clients of Our Lady of the Atonement. Hoping in Our Lady to receive the help requested and blessing you and all the benefactors of your work.*

P. S.—Would it be possible to obtain for me a typewriter? I greatly need one as I suffer from "clerical sprain" owing to continual writing. The one I have is too old to be repaired and to buy one would cost a great deal here.

* EDITOR'S NOTE: We regret the long delay in printing this Appeal. In fact the letter has lately come to light. The picture mentioned above, we have not found, but give in its place one of the good Bishop starting off in his bullock cart. About that typewriter, who will give the whole or part of its cost?

"This is the decisive hour of Christian Missions" says a writer in *America*. "In many places what is not done now will likely not be done at all."

CONDENSED APPEALS FROM EVERY PART OF THE WORLD

EDITOR'S NOTE: *It has been our custom until of late to select three or four appeals each month out of the scores and scores which come to our desk, and publish them in extenso in* THE LAMP.

The result is that these favored appeals receive generous assistance from our LAMP *Readers, whereas, hundreds of other appeals, almost, if not equally worthy find their way ultimately into the waste-paper basket.*

In order to remedy this unfortunate fate overtaking so many worthy appeals, we have hit upon the idea of publishing from month to month CONDENSED EXTRACTS *from a number of the letters we receive so that our Readers can select from the list the call for assistance which appeals more strongly to their charity..*

Although we give, in almost every instance, the name of the Missionary and his address, we recommend that the contributions be sent through the agency of The Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost. There is always a risk when a private party sends money through the mail to foreign countries and a loss in exchange is almost certain. It is safest and best to entrust the transmission to the U. N. B. L. or some other duly authorized missionary society.

One of the troubles of the poor Editor of this page—and, believe me, it is something, and it costs a few ejaculations for guidance and many regrets —is to decide which appeals shall be "featured" and which shall have a briefer space.

The need of each is so real and the issues are so tremendous—often nothing less than eternal life for many souls. We ask, therefore, that the brevity may make the stronger appeal.

"I, If I Be Lifted Up Will Draw All Men Unto Me"

Father J. Leyssen, Catholic Mission, Kewl, Hon Ting, Shansi, China, writes:

"We are in great trouble, for our mission of Sovi-Yuan is quite in disorder owing to some thousand bandits who are plundering our residences and menacing even the central residence of Erh Shih Sze K'ing Ti.

"On Christmas Day they murdered our good Father Sonen. Ten days ago they carried off Father Van Pruet and plundered his residence at Terison. The poor Father is still in their hands, and owing to the extreme cold and the lack of all comfort he is suffering very much. He has been taken far away to the west and we do not know what will happen to him as the bandits are asking ten thousand dollars for his release. The local authorities, however, are trying to settle the matter, and we hope that our Confrater will soon be with us again.

"We are building a large hospital here, and two years ago opened a dispensary, in which 35,000 persons have been treated to date. The converts are numerous, and every day families ask enrolment on the list of catechumens.

"But where will we get the money to go on with the building of the hospital? Please, do help."

Sister Cecilia, O. S. F., St. Mary's Convent, Kampala, Uganda, British East Africa, calls very urgently for help to build a school and dormitory for the better education of East African girls. The non-Catholics are, as usual, far ahead in educational advantages, much to the detriment of the Catholic Mission. Assistance is badly needed.

Father Albert Klaus, Missionary Apostolic, Wut'ngfu, Kiangkiacnan, China, writes pathetically:

"Three years ago there were about twenty thousand Catechumens here; now they number about nine thousand. More than half of them have gone back to paganism, because we were unable to send Catechists to give them the necessary religious instructions.

"For 5,478 baptized persons I could establish only one or two little schools, so that more than 1,000 children must remain without religious enlightenment."

"There are more than 450 great and small congregations in my mission field, but only forty or fifty of them have a little chapel (mud house) for a prayer room. The majority of these people are in very poor circumstances, we have no means at our disposal, so it was impossible to buy or build houses."

"In the winter we missionaries do not use stoves for heating purposes, so that we may have a little money to use for the poor children and catechists.

"From my heart I beg your readers to help my poor mission field, and me, its poor missionary."

From Sister Leutfrida, Chaiupatia, District Chamaparana, B. N. W., Ry., Bihar, East India:

"My Reverend Superiors have placed me in charge of a small beginning with a great aim in view. At present I live in a small room, the floor is mother earth, the brick walls are covered with mud, no windows, and the roof above me is liberal enough to let in sun and rain. But I am happy and content, and I do not think of changing my residence. This is a dispensary for the poor, and a little room to take in sick, poor pagans, so that, when they die they may find the right way to heaven. Of course, if I were not a Missionary Sister I would despair at the very thought of this place and of the empty money bag. But the

Missionary's confidence is in God and her true mission friends. You will not fail me, will you?"

Very Rev. Fr. John Je My, Def. General, T. O. C. D., Sacred Heart, Thevera, Ernakulam, S. India, writes the welcome news that:

"We are gradually regaining the Schismatics to the Mother Church. In a large conference conducted at Kottayam lately, a Jacobite stronghold, the great procession of the Blessed Sacrament through the streets (at which more than ten thousand people, a hundred priests, and two bishops took part); was a real triumph for our Holy Religion and our Eucharistic Lord. Help me to build a Chapel here."

Rev. Sebastian Noronha, Belthangadi, Diocese of Mangalore, British India, tells us of his great want of only $100 to complete a greatly needed chapel, upon which all work has had to stop for a long time for lack of this small amount, to him so great.

The good Missionary, Father Arul, in charge of Saint Joseph's Church, Ammapet, Tanjore District, So. India, appeals for his Church. The foundations were laid in 1913, but owing to want of means the building has not gone up beyond the basement. The Christians of the various villages round about which form this parish are poor Panchamas, whose contributions are very scarce and small. He has unbounded confidence in St. Joseph. Will not some devout client of his great Patron answer His prayer?

Rev. Fr. Elias, D. C., St. Mary's Monastery, Ettharuth, Frichur P. O., So. India, most earnestly asks the gift of two statues, one each of The Little Flower and St. Anthony; both to be three feet high.

Sister Agnes, a Third Order Carmelite of St. Teresa's Convent, Cumemao, Verapoly, Travancore, S. India, tells us of the great need of enlarging her convent, which was built for forty nuns and contains sixty. The roof also is in danger of collapse. They have an unfinished oratory, and very inadequate quarters for their girls' school. The Bishop heartily approves of her appeal, and assures us of the very great need. It is also endorsed by the Superior of the Carmelite Fathers. Sister Agnes' Letter ends thus:

"In return for all this act of charity we will be ever grateful to you, our benefactors, who may take any interest in this cause, and we will pray for you in a special way. Besides, we promise to enter in our annals the names of all those who will give us a full donation of $100, and a Mass will be said for them yearly in perpetuity. You can easily help us by sending Mass stipends of a dollar each, for the good Carmelite Fathers have promised to assist us by remitting half the stipend for the above-mentioned needs."

Rev. J. A. Wall, Catholic Church, Kissum, Kenya Colony, Uganda, British East Africa, writes:

"I would be so very grateful if you could send me more help towards paying for a Church which has just been completed at Eldoret, on the Nasin Plateau. I have still a debt of over $1,000 on this building, and I see no chance of raising further help locally, as we have to provide for the furniture, etc. Bishop Biermans told me to endeavor to get some help from THE LAMP. *We are very poorly off ourselves, and Mass stipends would be a great assistance here.*

REPORT OF MONEYS DISBURSED BY THE UNION-THAT-NOTHING-BE-LOST DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL

Africa

Rt. Rev. J. Biermans, Kampala P.O., Uganda: Toward the Seminary Bldg., $10. Rt. Rev. A. Declercq, Lulubourg, Congo: M. I., $50. Rt. Rev. G. Grison, Stanley Falls, Congo: M. I., $50. Rev. A. Negri, Gulu, Uganda: M. I., $110. Rev. J. B. Pedrana, Lull, Karthoum, Egypt: M. I., $10. Rev. P. Rogan, Kakamega P. O., Uganda: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. T. Spreiter Vryheid, Natal: M. I., $25. Rt. Rev. J. Simon, Pella, Namaqualand: M. I., $25. Dom. S. Van Nuffel, O. S. B., Pietersburg, Transvaal: M. I., $20. Rev. Mother M. Cecelia, Nagalama, Uganda: Alms, $5. Rev. E. Grimshaw, Kampala P. O., Uganda: M. I., $10. Sr. M. Solano, Nsyamba, Uganda: alms, $5. Rev. M. Libri, O. F. M., Assuit, Egypt: M. I., $10; alms, $48.50; total: $58.50. Rev. P. Coenen, Mumias, Uganda: M. I., $10; alms, $25; total: $35.

China

Rev. H. Sepieter, C. S. M.: M. I., $35. Rt. Rev. O. Timmers, O. F. M., Luanfu: M. I., $100. Rev. E. J. McCarthy, St. Columban's Nebr., for the Irish Chinese Missions: $200. Rev. A. Klaus, O. F. M., Wutingfu: alms, $107.50.

Europe

Austria: Rev. A. Guadagnini, Vienna: alms, $25. J. M., Vienna: alms, $15. His Em. F. Card. Piffl, Vienna: alms, $15. Ven. Sr. Hildegarde, O. S. B., Carlisle, England: $50. Rev. Fr. Prior, O. S. B., Caldey, S. Wales: alms, $5. Germany: Rev. E. Giessen, Aachen: M. I., $30. Rev. I. Siemer, O. P., M. I., $25. Rev. T. Stadler, Munich: alms, $5. R. F., $25. Rev. H. M. Brinkman, Rhine-Ruhr Relief, $7.75. Rt. Rev. Bp. Bonnewasser, alms, $48. Jugo-Slavia: Rev. L. Curic, O. F. M., Bosnia: M. I., $10. Franciscan Fathers at Ljubljana: M. I., $50. V. Rev. M. Troha, O. F. M., Zagreb: M. I., $25. Rev. Zagar de Sanaval, Ljubljana: M. I., $10. Italy: V. Rev. G. Bacile, Bisacquino: M. I., $20. V. Rev. M. Coccalloro, O. F. M., Assisi: M. I., $100. Ven. Sr. Josepha, Civita Castellana: alms, $15; 30 U. N. B. L. Masses for the Members, $30; total: $45. Rev. P. Lucchese, Alcamo: M. I., $25. Rt. Rev. D. I. Lanslots, O. S. B., for the Capuchin Nuns in Rome: $10. V. Rev. C. Ortica, Perugia: M. I., $20. Rev. R. Pancini, O. F. M., Florence: M. I., $10. Rev. A. Rigo, T. O. S. F., Rome: M. I., $200. V. Rev. C. Ugolini, Arezzo: M. I., $25. Rt. Rev. G. Zaccherini, Civita Castellana: M. I., $25. Ven. Sr. Elizabeth, Rome: alms, $5. V. Rev. R. Brotons, O. F. M., Valencia, Spain: M. I., $75. Rev. J. P. Roque, Porto de Moz, Portugal: M. I., $10.

Holy Childhood Association

Received for memberships in the Association: $9.53.

India

Rev. Bro. Alexis, O. S. F., Bellary: alms, $10. Most Rev. J. Aelen, Madras: M. I., $50. Rt. Rev. F. S. Coppel, Nagpur: M. I., $20. Rev. S. D'Silva, Yedatore: M. I., $21. Rev. J. B. D'Sa, Moodbidvi: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. M. Depatures, Bangalore: M. I., $50. Rev. F. S. D'Souza, Kulshekar: M. I., $10. Rev. T. G. Duffy, Cuddalore: M. I., $15. Rev. Fr. Dominic, D. C., Mannaman: M. I., $25. Rev. Fr. Elias, D. C., Pavarath: M. I., $10. Rev. V. R. Fernandes, Mangalore: M. I., $10. Rev. Fr. Gregory, D. C., Trivandrum: M. I., $100. Rev. J. C. Kayalakam, Ithithanam: M. I., $10. Rev. T. Kottur, Punnathura: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. T. Kurialacherry,

Changanacherry: M. I., $50. Rev. Fr. Leopold, D. C. Elthuruth: M. I., $50. Rev. E. Loubiere, Cuddalore: M. I. $15. Rev. Fr. Marcelline, Mutholy: M. I., $10. Rev. S. Martanandam, Madras: M. I., $10. Rev. E. L. Mathias, Mangalore: M. I., $10. Rev. John-Mary, Narkanda: M. I., $10. Most Rev. E. J. Morel, Pondicherry: M. I., $50. Rev. T. Mukalel, Kottayam: M. I., $10. Rev. P. Meyniel, Bangalore: M. I., $10. Rev. J. M. Minezes, Manjeshwar: M. I., $10. V. Rev. Fr. Nicholas, D. C., Mutholy: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. P. Perini, S. J., Calicut: M. I., $50. Rev. M. Riklin, S. J., Poona: M. I., $15. Rev. C. Roche, Bahmo: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. T. Roche, S. J., Tuticorin: M. I., $30. Rev. R. D. Sequeira, Kokkada: M. I., $10. Rev. L. T. Thekumthla, Ernakulam: M. I., $10. Rt. Rev. D. Vismara, Secundrabad: M. I., $25. Rev. H. Westropp, S. J., Chuhari: M. I., $14. Rev. A. Zearo, S. J., Venur: M. I., $15. Rev. P. Kanicheril, Kottayam: M. I., $51; alms, $149.50; total: $200.50. Rev. M. S. Kearns, Cella: alms, $70. Sr. Veronica, Mattakara: alms, $430. St. Joseph's Carmelite Convent, Mutholy: alms, $46. Rev. P. K. Bothelho, M. I., $10; alms, $43; total: $53. Rev. A. Ramachanatt, Punnathura: alms, $20.

Japan

Rt. Rev. J. B. Castanier, Osaka: Catechists, $40; M. I., $100; total: $140. V. Rev. S. Kinold, O. F. M., Sapporo: M. I., $125. Rev. I. Nakada, Nagasaki: M. I., $10. Rev. F. Sanchez, O. P., Taichu-Invin: M. I., $15.

Korea

Rev. C. Ferrand, Taikou: M. I., $15; Catechists: $42; total: $57. Rev. C. Peynet, Taikou: M. I., $15. V. Rev. J. Vermorel, Taikou: M. I., $15. Sr. Donatienne, Taikou: for the Orphanage: $50.

Medical Mission Branch

House of Mercy, Chentingfiu: (Sr. Guerlain) $17. St. Joseph's Hosp., Ningpo: (Sr. Gilbert) $86. House of the Sacred Heart, Kashing: (Sr. Joseph) $52. The Kashing Orphanage, Kashing: (Sr. Levallois) $52.50. Sisters of Charity, Wenchow: (Mother Mary) $53.35. Holy Childhood Orphanage, Foochow: (Sr. Trinity) $53.26. Domestic Branch: Treatment of poor men: $54.30. Rev. P. J. T. M., $30.

Near East and Asia Minor

Rt. Rev. G. Calavassy, Constantinople and Athens: M. I., $500; alms, $439.28; total: $939.28. V. Rev. Fr. Clement, Stamboul: M. I., $25. Most Rev. Peter XIII, Armenia: M. I., $30. Rev. J. Naayem, Chaldean Relief Fund: M. I., $11; alms, $19; total: $30. Most Rev. M. Saigh, Tyre, Syria: M. I., $25; Support of a Seminarian, $200; total: $225. V. Rev. N. Vuccino, Scutari: (Constantinople) M. I., $30.

The Philippine Islands

Rev. H. David, Tagudin: alms, $43; M. I., $100; total: $143. Rev. P. Hubaux, Pasig-Rizal: School, $25; M. I., $25; total: $50. Rev. J. P. Puttemans, alms, $25. Rev. M. De Brabandere, Tublay: alms, $5.

Miscellaneous Missions

Foreign: Rt. Rev. A. Nicolescu, Lugoj: alms, $27. Rt. Rev. M. G. Vuylsteke, O. P., Curacao: M. I., $100. Carmelite Sisters, Hogar de San Jose, Mexico: alms, $58. Rt. Rev. E. Coppo, Broome, Kimberley, Australia: alms, $8.50. Domestic: Rev. J. A. C., $50. (Texas) Rev. M. F. Collins, Sour Lake, Texas: $31. Rt. Rev. J. R. Crimont, S. J., Juneau, Alaska: M. I., $55; alms, $84.50; total: $139.50. Bro. Stanislaus, T. S. A., N. Y. City: alms, $10. Rev. W. Hughes, Indian Missions: $5. Sr. M. Leonard, Indian School: $5. Rev. B. Rossi, Brooklyn, N. Y., for School: $100. Rev. Wm. S. Nash, Willoughby, Ohio: alms, $5. Rev. Wm. Huffer, Oklahoma City: $2. St. Joseph's Ind. School, Clayton, Del.: $1. Sr. Laurentia, Alaska: alms, $5.

Masses Distributed in the U. S. A.

Rev. F. A., $15. Rev. Jose C., $30. Rev. J. A. C., $30. Rev. C. C., $25. Rev. F. C., $15. Rev. H. A. C., $60. Rev. A. F., $10. Rev. V. Guaita, D. C., $25. Rev. R. J. H., $20. Rev. O. L., $15. Rev. M. J. M., $125. Rev. V. M., $10. Rev. J. S. P., $9. S. A. Fathers, $135. Salesian Fathers, $50. Rev. H. T., $15. Rev. J. M. V., $15. Total: $604.00.

Total Disbursements: $7,024.53.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO FR. COLLINS' CHURCH

The following communication was recently received by the President of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* relative to Father Collins' Church at Sour Lake, Texas.

Herewith is the fruit of an effort made by Mr. Joseph Collins, Montrose, N. Y., to help his namesake, Father Collins, of Sour Lake, Texas, to erect his church, especially for the two by fours he mentions having need for in THE LAMP. *A collection was taken up among the employees of The Standard Textile Products Company, Factory, Buchanan, N. Y.: Bernard Daly, $1.00; Joseph Collins, $1.00; Thomas Barry, $1.00; John Springstead, $1.00; Joseph Hard, 50c; Joseph Perfumo, 50c; Thomas Haggerty, $1.00; Edward Heffley, 50c; William Melvin, 75c; Bernard Fahey, 25c; Edwin Mackey, 25c; Francis Hard, 25c; James Newman, $1.00; Andrew Pippshaw, 50c; Oscar Chase, $1.00; James Lent, 25c. Total: $10.75.*

We hope that many such collections will be taken, not only by those who have the name of "Collins," but are simply Catholics who make their offerings out of their zeal for the upbuilding of the Catholic Church, particularly in those parts of the land where Catholics are the fewest.

THE SPIRIT THAT MAKES OUR U. N. B. L. THE POWER THAT IT IS

Miss M. McG., Okla.: *"Enclosed please find my personal check for twenty-five dollars which please apply as follows: the Alaskan Mission of The Little Flower, St. Anthony's Bread Fund, and for Mass Intentions for the neediest Mission. I wish that I might send you even a greater amount. When I read* THE LAMP *I feel that I do very little for God to repay Him for His many blessings to me, and so you have gotten the above—and I am doing without some useless finery."*

A CONFIDENTIAL BUDGET

I spend every week:

For Movies .....

For Favorite luxury .....

For Missionary Work .....

For Smokes .....

For My Parish Church .....

(Being rational beings, an assessment of the above data may afford food for thought.)

Growth of the Church in India

A NATIVE NUN AND HER CHARGES

Mother Gertrude, a Third Order Carmelite, Saint John's Convent, Verapoly, N. Travancore, S. India, writes of her needs and we put below a charming picture of herself surrounded with just a few of her orphans. We print her words in the pretty broken English as written:

May it please your honors, on behalf of the nuns and other inmates of the above convent, I beg humbly and most respectfully to bring to your kind notice the present posture of this convent miserabilities and the poor state. Along with this convent there is an orphanage consisting of more than fifty orphans. Besides there is a complete higher vernacular school with more than three hundred students and fourteen teachers. In the staff for teachers pay it comes to nearly an amount of more than two hundred and fifty Rs. per month.

We have begun a boarding school also, for all these and we require more building, for every day orphans are increasing. But we find extremely difficulty to accept them, because of the want of money. The inhabitants of our country are very poor and uncivilized, such being the local case. I fearfully approach you with this humble petition showing the present local difficulties. We will indeed pray for all who help us.

Mother Gertrude, a Native Nun, and Her Charges

CHRISTIANITY IN INDIA

From *The Catholic Herald of India* we obtain the following statistics for Christianity in India, as reproduced from Vol. I of the 1921 Census of India, which was issued recently:

	Europeans	Anglo-Indians	Indians
Catholics	32,101	57,491	2,157,339
Baptists	2,824	3,093	438,565
Anglicans	108,759	37,241	387,180
Presbyterians	9,876	1,127	243,535
Lutherans	409	338	240,069
Methodists	6,117	2,981	199,037
Congregationalists, etc.	350	414	122,253

The totals for 1911-1921 compare as follows:

	1911	1921	Increase per cent
All Christians	3,873,958	4,753,174	23
Catholics	1,904,005	2,247,047	22
Baptists	337,226	444,479	32
Anglicans	492,752	533,180	8
Presbyterians	181,130	254,838	41
Lutherans	218,500	240,816	10
Methodists	171,844	208,135	21
Congregat's, etc.	135,265	123,016	−9

The Catholics have, therefore, increased by 343,042 in ten years.

"If," says *The Catholic Herald*, "we add to this total the figures for Ceylon (363,986), Portuguese India (288,741) and French India (25,480), we obtain the grand total for India and Ceylon of 2,835,541, a figure that falls short of the ecclesiastical returns by only 134,562, as the mission statistics give a total of 2,970,103. This year (1924) we have passed the three million level, and number six times as many adherents as the notorious "Church of India," as Anglicans style themselves."

Among the arrivals in Lent on the Cunard liner "Antonia" was Rev. Father Fabian Dix of the Holy Cross Priory of Leicester, England. He came here to lecture at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, New York City.

"England," he said, "is now in a state where there are only two alternatives—agnosticism or Catholicism. As a result of the breaking down of many of the more or less recent religions, the drift is either back to Catholicism, or to complete negation. For the last two years conversions in England have approximated 12,000 a year."

The power of the Ku Klux Klan is falling in the South, declares the *Southern Messenger*, published in San Antonio, Texas, in an issue of last month. In a long article, the *Messenger* traces the effect of the Klan in the South, analyzes its appeal, tells of the damage it has done and gives the reason for its failure. "Happily," the article says, "the sunshine of harmony and civic unity is succeeding the darkness of bigotry and prejudice in the South. Men and women have been surfeited and are turning back to 'normalcy.' Here and there, conditions are still deplorable. The power of the Ku Klux Klan has been broken, but its leaders are working desperately to prevent disintegration.

Guild of the Little Flower

ANTEPREPARATORY CONSIDERATION OF BLESSED TERESA

Reports from Rome state that the Congregation of Rites will hold an "antepreparatory" meeting on August 12, at the Vatican, to discuss the miraculous character of two events referred to it in connection with the canonization of the Blessed Teresa of the Infant Jesus.

The first of these facts is the cure of Mademoiselle Maria Pellemans, of Schaerbeek, near Brussels. Afflicted with tuberculosis of the lungs and intestines, this young girl was instantaneously and completely cured on March 22, 1923, at the tomb of Blessed Teresa in the cemetery of Lisieux, a few days before the translation of the remains of the Little Flower to Carmel.

WONDERFUL CURE BY LITTLE FLOWER

Father Dawson Byrne of the Apostolic Mission House, Brookland, D. C., a short time since gave out the following for publication:

Dear Editor:—Will you please publish the enclosed statement of a wonderful cure effected through the intercession of the Little Flower of Jesus.

I promised publication in all the Catholic papers if this great favor would be granted; and I now take the opportunity of fulfilling my promise.

I am the owner of the relic referred to in the statement, and this is only one of the numerous and wonderful cures and favors granted by wearing this relic or by blessing the person with it.

Trusting that greater devotion will be manifested to this Great and Blessed Flower of Jesus,

I am yours sincerely in Christ,
Father Dawson Byrne.

(Copy of letter or statement made by Henry F. Bruns, Lieutenant Commander U. S. Navy.)

Near the end of last October I became seriously ill with a combination of nervous disorders and was immediately taken to a hospital for diagnosis and treatment. After exhaustive examinations and tests extending over several weeks, during which time my condition rapidly grew worse, my doctors (including several noted specialists) diagnosed the case as "Progressive muscular atrophy," a rare but invariably fatal malady arising from a diseased condition of the medula oblongata. I became paralyzed from my neck downward, losing all sense of touch, and I was scarcely able to speak or swallow. The doctors were unable to take any steps to cure or even alleviate my condition, and they held forth practically no hope for my recovery, believing that I could not live longer than three months.

A relic of The Little Flower of Jesus was placed around my neck and prayers were repeatedly offered to her for my recovery. Thanks to her intercession, my condition improved gradually but steadily, and three months after I entered the hospital my recovery was completely effected.

(Signed) Henry F. Burns.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20, 1924.

The original of this letter or statement is in my possession.

Father Dawson Byrne.

The Little Flower
Patroness of Missionaries

ALASKAN SISTERS OBSERVE HOSPITAL DAY

The spirit of the typical Catholic hospital, eager to do all in its power to make itself of greater service to the community, is indicated by a recent report received by Matthew O. Foley, managing editor of *Hospital Management* and executive secretary of the National Hospital Day Committee. The report dealt with plans for the observance of National Hospital Day, May 12, when some 5,000 hospitals throughout the United States and Canada were to join in a great co-operative effort to make the public better acquainted with hospital service.

In the bleak, frozen spaces of Alaska at least three Catholic hospitals made preparations to observe May 12. Although separated by nature's difficult barriers of snow and ice and hundreds of miles of sea and land from their co-workers in Canada and the United States, the dauntless Sisters in Uncle Sam's most northern possession already have one observance of the hospital holiday to their credit, and they now are planning on a more extensive program.

The alacrity with which these three isolated hospitals of Alaska took up the National Hospital Day movement is typical of the interest and co-operation of the hundreds of Catholic institutions of the United States and Canada. A large number of them were pioneer participants in the first National Hospital Day in 1921, and an increasing number of them have sought official affiliation with the National Hospital Day Committee.

BLESSED TERESA'S FEAST DAY

By Apostolic rescript last year, the feast day of The Little Flower of Jesus, Blessed Teresa of the Infant Jesus, was fixed for September 30th, with double rite for the Diocese of Bayeux.

The feast will be celebrated with the double rite of the second class in the Carmel Convent of Lisieux and with the double major rite in the Carmelite Order.

MONTHLY NOVENA TO THE LITTLE FLOWER AT MT. CARMEL RETREAT HOUSE, WASHINGTON

Address All Communications to the Sisters of the Atonement,

Mt. Carmel Retreat House,
200 T St., N. E., Washington, D. C.

A New Novena begins on the 22nd day of each month so as to end on the 30th of the month, the particular day in September, 1897, on which the Blessed Teresa of the Child Jesus died at Lisieux.

TESTIMONIALS

THANKS LITTLE FLOWER FOR BETTER POSITION

M. A. McG., South Orange, N. J.: "*Enclosed money order for $10.00 is an offering toward the work of the missions in Alaska under the patronage of the Little Flower.*

"*This offering is made to fulfill my promise to donate same toward this work if Little Therese obtained through her intercession a position I was anxious to secure. I was accepted, and am at present employed in the new work, and am happy to send on my offering. I thank Little Therese for obtaining this work for me which is so much better for me in many ways than my previous position.*"

Mrs. A. M., Peekskill, N. Y.: "*Enclosed find $10.00. This is for the Alaskan Missions as thanksgiving to the Little Flower for a past favor and also for the cure of my little girl of spasms caused through a recent illness. Kindly publish in* THE LAMP."

Mrs. I. D., Ottawa, Canada: "*Some time ago I promised an offering to the Little Flower Purse, for a favor received, with promise to publish in* THE LAMP. *I am sorry I have delayed so long in fulfilling my promise, also that I cannot send more.*

Miss M. M. C., Germantown, Pa.: "*Enclosed you will find money order for $5.00. Some two or three years ago I promised the Little Flower of Jesus, $2.50 for a certain thing if it was granted. My prayer was heard that very time I made the request, but am just now fulfilling the promise. I promised Little Therese, it would be for her mission in Alaska (Bishop Crimont, S. J.) so I would appreciate it if you would forward the money for me.*"

Cardinal Mercier has sent to the Catholic press a note in which he thanks the numerous persons who sent him congratulations and good wishes on the occasion of his jubilee. He expresses regret at not being able to write to each individually. "As soon as I find time," he adds, "I shall try to tell them how much their expressions of sympathy touched my heart, and how sweet it is to feel myself supported by their friendship and their prayers at this hour of my life, when the weight of the Divine goodness overwhelms me, leaving me no other resources than to confess my surprise and insufficiency, repeating the prayer which we say each morning after Holy Communion: 'How can I ever acquit myself toward my God for all that I owe Him for His mercy toward me?'"

MOTHER'S DAY

Very appropriately is Mother's Day, on May 11th, placed in the month especially devoted to Our Lady, the Mother of Christians. This day was widely observed last month. Irrespective of their particular creeds, men and women, boys and girls paid homage to their mothers by wearing a red flower if she were alive, or a white flower if she had departed this world. True to the traditions of Holy Church and the ideals of their Order many Councils of the Knights of Columbus improved upon the worthy custom by receiving Communion for the intentions of their mothers, whether living or deceased. The following poem by Mr. Edward Jochem, a Knight of Quincy, Illinois, very beautifully illustrates the theme. We are indebted to the *Western Catholic* for its reproduction:

MOTHER

God gave the earth fair springtime
When sweet-scented blossoms blush,
And the feathered throng, with a merry song,
Enchants 'till the twilight hush.

He breathed into man understanding,
Free will and a priceless soul,
And He'll shower grace on the human race
'Till it reaches life's mystic goal.

But the seedlet of love eternal
He sowed in a mother's heart,
And He bade it grow and rich fruitage show
As the hastening years depart.

For who in the world's more patient,
Sympathetic, indulgent and true,
Though her child has strayed, and she feels dismayed,
And her dreams have vanished, too.

So here's to each K. C. mother,
Be she living or dead, today:—
May her love divine that is yours and mine,
Engarland her soul alway.

And when we are wrapt in shadows,
And our hope-star gleamingly wanes,
Oh, I know her prayer will be wafted where
Love's glorified Master reigns.

Francis R. Lowther, of St. Louis, represented the National Council of Catholic Men at the national convention of the Boy Scouts of America, at St. Louis, May 9 and 10. Mr. Lowther is a member of the executive committee of the N. C. C. M. The Boy Scout organization has 25,000 Catholic boys enrolled.

Labor must be of a necessary nature when performed on Sunday to be made the basis of a suit for payment for it, according to the ruling of Justice Albert H. F. Seeger in the Supreme Court at Poughkeepsie.

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MONSIGNOR BARRY-DOYLE IN BOSTON

His Eminence Cardinal O'Connell recently returned to Boston from a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. While in the Near East he visited both Constantinople and Athens and was most favorably impressed by what he saw of Bishop Calavassy's accomplishments in both of those cities, and in consequences he has welcomed Monsignor Barry-Doyle to his Archdiocese in order that he might collect funds in Boston for the starving children of the Near East and Catholic reconstruction in Greece and Constantinople.

We take this occasion to urge all LAMP subscribers in Boston to give Monsignor Barry-Doyle their cordial support and do what they can to make his campaign in the City of the Pilgrim Fathers a phenomenal success.

The following, taken from *The Pilot* of Boston for May 18, gives a graphic description of the cordial welcome extended to the Monsignor by His Eminence, and the Mayor, priests and people of that city:

CARDINAL O'CONNELL PROMOTES ORIENTAL WORK OF MONSIGNOR RICHARD BARRY-DOYLE

Monsignor Richard Barry-Doyle has come to Boston with the full permission and approval of His Eminence, the Cardinal, and for a month will speak and plead for the cause of the starving little children of the Orient and solicit financial aid for them. On last Sunday he spoke at all the masses in St. Joseph's Church, Roxbury, when Monsignor Splaine introduced him to the congregation and bespoke their generosity for his distinguished visitor's great cause.

As Monsignor Barry-Doyle is an orator of rare talent, with a full, rich voice suggestive of Dublin, this coupled with the dramatic intensity of his appeal spread like wildfire after the first Mass, so that at the last Mass, the large church was packed to its utmost capacity, even the sanctuary and sacristy were filled and a very handsome sum was handed to the Monsignor for his noble cause. At the request of Father Superior, Father Kenna, C. SS. R., Rector of the Mission Church, Monsignor Barry-Doyle will speak at all the Masses next Sunday and preach a special sermon on "Love one another," at the last Mass.

Under the auspices of the Boston Branch, Society of the Propagation of the Faith, Monsignor Barry-Doyle will conclude his appeal in Symphony Hall, June 1st, when he will present his wonderful story "The Call of the East," which aroused so much interest in New York recently that many were unable to get admission to the great Carnegie Hall.

Descendant of Commodore Barry

Monsignor Richard Barry-Doyle, as his name indicates, is an Irishman, born at Airdowns, in County of Wexford, Ireland, in the same parish where Commodore John Barry, the hero of the Revolutionary War and founder of the American Navy, was born. He is of the same splendid stock which gave Commodore Barry, "Fighting Jack Barry" as he was called, to the world, for the Monsignor's grandmother, Margaret Barry, was a niece to the man who did so much for the independence of America. His family has been identified with the cause of Irish patriotism for generations.

Monsignor Barry-Doyle may be described as an international character, as he is known wherever the English language is spoken and indeed in many countries where English is not the usual medium of expression.

Monsignor Barry-Doyle received his early education at St. Peter's College, Wexford, and studied for the Priesthood at St. John's College, Waterford, where he was ordained Priest in his native diocese.

World War Hero

When the World War started, he was one of the many priests who gave up the quiet of their ordinary lives to follow the fortunes of Catholic soldiers on the battlefield and minister to the spiritual wants. He had the unique distinction of serving on every battlefield, and saw service on fronts as far flung from each other as France and Mesopotamia, Belgium and East Africa, Italy and Egypt. He served in "the last crusade" as the Palestine campaign was called, and lived for many months in the Great Desert of Sinai. * * * *

Chaplain in Holy City

While serving with the famous "Broken Spur" Division, he entered Jerusalem after the Turks surrendered the Holy City. In 1918, he was for the second time in the trenches in France, with the same famous Division, and when the Armistice was signed, he was hovering between life and death in the hospital, the result of being wounded.

His Holiness, the late Pope Benedict XV, made him a Prelate of the Papal Household and in the Brief of his appointment he was called "the spiritual Father of thousands of soldiers." The Allied powers conferred on him many splendid decorations and orders, and from Albert, King of the Belgians, he received the Order of Leopold and an autographed letter from the King.

During his long stay in the Orient, he made a special study of conditions, now obtaining in this unhappy part of the world. Hence today he is one of few authorities on the Near East on whom one can depend for an unprejudiced and sane point of view on the problems now disturbing that land of sharp contrasts and untold misery. * * *

Presented Key of City

The Monsignor was received by the Mayor on Wednesday and presented with the Key of the City of Boston. The Monsignor pleads the cause of one hundred and eighty thousand famished and dying children of the Near East.

GREEK MEDAL FOR TOMB OF BYRON

The Hon. Anne Lytton, a direct descendant of Byron, is returning to England from Athens to lay on the tomb of her great ancestor a medal handed her for that purpose by the Prime Minister of Greece.

All Byron's direct descendants are Catholics. Miss Anne Lytton, who was the central figure of the centenary celebrations at Missolonghi, is the poet's great-great-granddaughter, through her mother, Lady Wentworth. Lady Wentworth was the only child of Lady Anne Blunt, whose mother was the only child of Lord Byron, by his wife, the Baroness Wentworth.

Miss Anne Lytton was given a warm welcome by the Greeks, who bestowed upon her the title, "the adopted daughter of Athens."

Chaldean Rescue

NEEDLEWORK SHOPS IN CHALDEA

Immediately upon his arrival amongst his own people Father Naayem began to turn to account his experience in this country. Convinced that his people must work out their own salvation, even if they have to be helped from outside for a while, he took in with him a quantity of linen. The women of that country are noted for their skill with the needle, and Father Naayem has by this time provided a number of them with the means of earning something for themselves. The articles, when completed, will be offered for sale in Paris, the United States, and perhaps in London, where, under the auspices of His Eminence Cardinal Bourne, a committee has been actively at work since Father Naayem called there on his way east. English Catholic papers convey the information that Cardinal Bourne is himself receiving subscriptions for Father Naayem's work. Of course what Father Naayem is doing in making work for these women, by which they may earn enough to relieve their great poverty, has only been made possible by those who have contributed in this country to the work of the Chaldean Rescue. The few hundred dollars used for this purpose, even a couple of thousand if necessary, will be always repeating its usefulness, for as soon as the women are paid the money can be had for their wares and used to reward further employment. These gifts will therefore be multiplied manyfold. Readers of THE LAMP will be kept informed of the progress of this most interesting development.

"Save the Clergy and the People Are Saved"

In the meantime it is impossible to overrate the importance of what the Patriarch says about his clergy. It is easy to see that everything turns upon whether the priest is able to go about his work with a cheerful heart, and evidently the Patriarch sees no hope for his clergy except here. That his prayers have been answered may be seen from the fact that since November the Chaldean Rescue has been able to send him for Mass intentions for his priests over $4000, which must have meant a great help to a large number of priests this winter, and through them to their people. Mass intentions intended for these devoted clergy may be sent direct to the Chaldean Rescue, 503 Fifth Avenue, N. Y., or to U. N. B. L., Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y.; or, if preferred, intentions offered through the propagation of the Faith may be designated for the Chaldean clergy. Any one who reads the Patriarch's beautiful letter and senses the profound gratitude that he feels when his poor priests are remembered will surely be disposed to make it easier for him and for them to face the trials the war has brought upon this oldest of the Churches, which was already well established before the Christians of Rome had emerged from the Catacombs. Few can read unmoved the venerable Patriarch's description (he is 72) of how on receiving the money sent for his priests, he expressed his gratitude and thanksgiving in the Holy Sacrifice, asking a blessing upon the families of his benefactors, with a prayer for the prosperity of "this generous and noble Nation," the United States.

THE FORTUNES OF WAR

The following extract from a letter from the Most Reverend Stephen Gebry, Archbishop of Kirkuk and Sulimanyeh, indicates what the people have had to bear: "On May 6, 1919, the English entered this city for the first time. Having remained twenty days they evacuated the place and set out for Bagdad. Our people, having been on good terms with them, and fearing the cruelty of the Turks, left the city also leaving behind them all their possessions, namely their crops, cattle and homes. When they returned they found that all had been confiscated and sold. Thus they are left in a deplorable state of misery and poverty. The Episcopal residence and both churches also suffered. We found them stripped of everything; not even the matting on the floor remained."

"We have received the thousand dollars for Mass intentions cabled by the Chaldean Rescue for Christmas. Kindly convey to our benefactors in America our grateful thanks for their remembrance and support and our cordial greetings and blessing for the Holy feasts of Christmas and New Years."

All gifts should be sent to The Chaldean Rescue, 503 Fifth Avenue, New York, or to the *U. N. B. L.*

THE OLD NORTH-EAST

By Florence Jones Hadley

Give me the old Northeast!—
Give me her green hills crowned with pine,
Her winds that stir the blood like wine;
The hidden nooks where green things grow,
The banks where Spring's first violets blow.
Give me the wildwood paths again
That lead far from the haunts of men;
What are your level lands to me?
Give me my green hills by the sea!

Give me the old Northeast!—
Give me her storm, her shade, her shine,
Her changing moods to mate with mine,
Her warm, green hills that brooding lie,
Her still, gray woods and grayer sky;
Her grassy slopes, all warm and still,
Her melting lines of sky and hill.
What are your level lands to me?
Give me my green hills by the sea!

WHAT IS THE HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION?

The Holy Childhood Association (of which the U. N. B. L. is a Branch) is a world-wide Society of Catholic children, whose object is the ransom, education and support of pagan children everywhere.

Dues for each member are twelve cents a year.

Infants and children of all ages are eligible, both living and dead.

Benefits of membership are many Masses, prayers and indulgences. Apply for membership to Mrs. Helen Fletcher, Mena, Ark.

AUNT HELEN'S LETTER

My dear Boys and Girls: Playtime is here at last! No more lessons for three glorious months, which will give our Boys and Girls ample opportunity to recover from the "brain-fag" incurred during the final exams. John may be planning to spend his vacation on grandfather's big farm in Illinois, while Frances on the other hand, who lives in the country, will go to New York or some other large city to enjoy the wonderful sights and experiences of city life. Some will go to the seashore, others to the mountains, and of course, there are always many who will remain at home and even work instead of playing, in order to earn sufficient to pay for their books and clothes for the next term of school.

When we read the biographies of successful men, we are surprised how many of them belong to the latter class, that is, to the vacation workers. In every walk of life we find it is the worker who wins, every time. But a reasonable amount of recreation is good for every one and for the young it is really necessary. However, a diet made up of sweets only, would be not only injurious to our health, but in time, distasteful, also; if we give ALL our summer to play, forgetful of everything else (our H. C. A. work, for instance), not alone will we lose what we have gained, but we will be in poor shape to resume our activities when school reopens. So why not remember the missions and the mite boxes during vacation? It will mean so much to those who are strangers to pleasure, the missionaries.

Be sure to read the letter from St. John's Colored School, about which I told you last month. The zealous Sister of Mercy at the head of the school organized the club and though less than 25 per cent of the pupils are Catholics, the non-Catholics were so interested and enthused when they heard about the work of the H. C. A., that they asked permission to contribute their mite also to help the poor pagan children in foreign countries.

During this month of the Sacred Heart, let us pray that Our Lord will fill your hearts and mine with His own divine charity towards every human being, regardless of color or race.

Our Holy Faith teaches us that there is no "Spiritual color line." The soul of an African, a Chinese or an Indian in the state of grace, has the same beauty and value in the sight of God as if it were clothed in the fairest and most lovely form. We should never forget that. Ask the Sacred Heart to help you to be a loyal member of the H. C. A., a real helper, not merely a "hanger on," and may your vacation be a most enjoyable one, profitable alike for soul and body.

AUNT HELEN.

CORRECTION

In Aunt Helen's Letter for May "St. Bartholomew's School" should have read "*St. John's School.* The Managing Editor failed to make the correction in time.

St. John's Colored School, Ft. Smith, Ark.: "*We are sending you the names of thirty-five children that wish to help the poor pagans in foreign countries through the Holy Childhood Association, and $1.65 dues. Most of the pupils took great interest in this work and we are sure all will do so before long. Rev. Father Lundergan, who is a Holy Ghost Father and the pastor of St. John's Church, is delighted to have us enrolled in the H. C. A. Our school is taught by two Sisters of Mercy, Sister M. Peter and Sister M. Loyola.*"

Miss K. T. F., Lowell, Mass.: "I am sending five dollars to buy a Chinese baby to offer the Sacred Heart, for my sister who is dead. May Our Lord have mercy on her and on the Poor Souls who have no one to pray for them. Please call the baby Margaret Frances, which my sister was named. I hope this will arrive in time for Christmas."

John Geary, who lives in Ireland has been enrolled recently in the U. N. B. L. Branch of the H. C. A., by his Aunt. This lady resides in N. Y. C. and asks that Our Boys and Girls pray for John, who is in very delicate health.

PURCHASERS OF CHINESE BABIES

Mrs. M. E. F., Cleveland, Ohio: *"Four weeks ago I asked you to remember my petition in your Perpetual Novena for three favors. All the favors were granted, and now I am sending five dollars for a Chinese baby, and would like him named Anthony in honor of St. Anthony. I am surely grateful for the favors received."*

Mrs. C. J., Brooklyn, N. Y.: *"Enclosed please find five dollars to buy a Chinese baby. Please name him Francis in memory of my little son, aged seven, who went to Heaven many years ago. In honor of The Little Infant Jesus I send this offering."*

Mrs. G. McC., Scranton, Pa.: *"Enclosed please find money order for five dollars to buy a Chinese baby. Please call it Mary for our Blessed Mother. I made a promise some time ago if a favor was granted I would buy a baby. My favor has been granted, and I am very thankful to God for His goodness to us."*

Mrs. J. McC., South Amboy, N. J.: *"Enclosed please find fifteen dollars for three little Chinese babies in thanksgiving for favors received. Please call the babies Mary, John, and Luke. You may publish this so as to spread our Faith."*

I. T. A., Chicago, Ill.: *"Sometime ago I received a business favor for which I promised to ransom a Chinese baby in thanksgiving. Please have the baby named Francis Eugene."*

James Farley, Melrose, Mass: *"Enclosed please find five dollars for a Chinese baby for Easter, to be named James Anthony. Mother and I promised St. Anthony if she got better we would buy one. I am still going to St. Mary's school and my teacher's name is Sister Lorenzo. I am in the fifth grade. We bought a new convent for the nuns and I am going to help clean it up today."*

Miss A. J. M., (promoter) Roxbury, Mass.: *"I am enclosing a money order for ten dollars. Five dollars of this is to ransom a pagan baby to be named Joseph Thomas Aquinas. Three dollars is for dues and stamps and the remaining two dollars was saved by Dorothy Hazelton of East Boston, Mass. She had her box only a month. I am enclosing a list of new members."*

Mrs. C. N., Baltimore, Md.: *"Enclosed find ten dollars for two Chinese babies to be named Joseph and Ruth. This is in thanksgiving for a very great favor received."*

Mrs. L. W., Wyoming, Pa.: *"Enclosed please find money order for five dollars and fifty cents. Five dollars is for a Chinese baby, to be named Joseph Anthony, which is sent by George Walsh. The fifty cents is dues for 1924 for Maurita, George, Evelyn and James Walsh. George and Maurita have a baby and Evelyn shall buy the next one."*

Miss C. B. S., Amsterdam, N. Y.: *"The enclosed money-order is another offering from Paul and Robert Conroy. It is not as large as it should be after such a long time, as their mite boxes were broken and would not hold the pennies so well. Please send two more boxes, which I hope will fill more rapidly."*

Lewis K. Wheelock, N. Adams, Mass.: *"It is a long time since you heard from me, but I have not forgotten the H. C. A. I enclose a list of twelve new members and dues for them."*

Marie Dorothy Murray, New York City: *"I enclose check for $5.25 for a Chinese baby and H. C. A. dues for last year and this year. I will start to save again so I can buy another baby for Christmas. Would like to name the baby Thomas Aloysius, after my daddy."*

Mrs. T. P., Esquimault, B. C.: *"I am sending one dollar which is the children's mite box collection for the poor pagan children. I regret that it cannot be more."*

Mary Nolan, Media, Pa.: *"I have been reading the letters in* THE LAMP *and would like to help the pagan children. I have asked a number of girls who say they are willing to help also. We would like to become members of the Holy Childhood Association and save as many pagan babies as possible. Please write and tell me all about it."*

Ernest N. E., Champaign, Ill.: *"Please find enclosed $10.00 for two Chinese babies to be named Vivian Marie and Helen. This is a promise I made to St. Anthony, a percentage on business."*

Margaret M. Patrick, Fieldsboro, N. J.: *"Dear Aunt Helen, enclosed find $5.00 that I promised to send for a little Chinese baby to be named Joseph in honor of the great foster-father of Jesus."*

Union of Masses and Mass Stipends

Twenty-five cents (25c) once and for all times are the enrollment dues in this Union which entitles a member FOR LIFE AND AFTER DEATH to a share in 300 MASSES said every year in the Chapel of the Society of St. Peter Claver in Rome. Enroll your deceased relatives and friends—also the living. Send dues, names and addresses to address below.

If your pastor cannot say the Masses you wish to have read, send us your stipends for the poor African Missionaries.

SOCIETY OF ST. PETER CLAVER FOR THE AFRICAN MISSIONS

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St. Francis and His Seraphic Family

ST. FRANCIS AND THE WORLD

Let us try to think of Francis as a man of today and put him down in the midst of society with his utter lack of the prudence which guides the ordinary man in providing for the wants of tomorrow. Would he be

St. Francis in Glory

regarded as a sane and practical leader of men? And yet this very defiance of worldly prudence is of the essence of the spirit of St. Francis; it is the essence of the Franciscan poverty.

A second characteristic of St. Francis' spirit is the immense joy he found even in the visible creation, whether of man, or beast or the inanimate world. St. Francis was no world-hater; he loved it in every form of its existence, save when it was marred by sin, and then he pitied it. He had all a poet's love of this earth combined with a saint's apprehension of God's lordship over the earth. There have been saints who have passed through the world with eyes apparently closed to the visible beauty of the earth, or who have even regarded the visible creation as a distraction from the things of the soul. But St. Francis was not one of these. He loved the world, though not as the worldling loves it. To him creation was as a vast sacrament, bringing him ever into touch with the Creator; it was God's world, and his love of God's world mingled with his love of God Himself.—*Seraphic Chronicle.*

The Capuchin Franciscan Tertiary Province of St. Joseph have issued a small pamphlet entitled, *"Objections to the Third Order of St. Francis Answered."* In very concise form, popular objections to joining the Third Order are dealt with in this booklet of only fourteen pages.

It is sold at the very low figure of two dollars per hundred copies, or five cents a copy sent to the individual through the mail.

They have also published a *"Formula Benedictionis"* with Plenary Indulgence, which can be imparted to Franciscan Tertiaries by any Confessor when approached in the tribunal of Penance. This leaflet sells at seventy-five cents a hundred.

It would be well for Tertiaries to have a copy of this on hand when they approach Priests not of the Franciscan Order, who would be glad to use the "Formula," and yet may not be familiar with it, unless a copy could be placed in their hands by the one soliciting the General Absolution on the days when Tertiaries are entitled to receive it.

For copies of either of the above mentioned leaflets address Rev. Fr. Sebastian, O. M. Cap., 1740 Mt. Elliot Ave., Detroit, Mich.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

By G. K. Chesterton

A Treat for the Lovers of the Poverello

The great English author, known in the world of letters wherever our language is spoken, has given us, in this book on the Father of the Third Order, a slant peculiar to his own style. It is one of the "One Hundred Catholic Books" lately noted in America as among the best of the whole past century in English. The light of the Poor Man of Assisi shines with crystaline rays through a globe differently tinted. No matter how many books you may have upon St. Francis, you need this one also, because of its interesting manner in presenting the subject and because so distinguished an author should have a place on your book-shelves.

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St. Anthony's Corner

GRAYMOOR'S PERPETUAL NOVENA TO ST. ANTHONY

Do the Clients of St. Anthony among Our LAMP Readers, who have learned by their own experience to patronize the Wonder-Worker's Perpetual Novena at Graymoor, communicate their knowledge to their neighbors? If we have found something of value in our own experience, it is really our duty to pass it on to others that they also may benefit as well as we.

Anyone who reads with attention month by month the Thanksgivings rendered by grateful Clients for the remarkable answers to prayer they have obtained by having recourse to St. Anthony through the medium of our Graymoor Novena, must recognize that such answers are not purely accidental, and that there must be some real potency in the intercession of this Great Saint. The testimonials that appear in our columns are only a fraction culled from the hundreds of such testimonials that come to us every month.

SPREAD DEVOTION AMONG YOUR FRIENDS TO ST. ANTHONY'S GRAYMOOR NOVENA.

THANKSGIVINGS RENDERED FOR FAVORS RECEIVED THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF SAINT ANTHONY

Mrs. R. G., South Bend, Ind.: *"Enclosed please find an offering in thanksgiving to St. Anthony. I asked him to help me get a young man rooming with us to go to confession. He went at Christmas and has been going monthly ever since."*

G. M., Nevada: *"I promised St. Anthony an offering if he would help me to recover some valuable railroad passes. I found them, thanks to the good Saint, and therefore gladly send this thank offering for his poor."*

A. B., Erie, Pa.: *"Enclosed find offering for St. Anthony's bread fund which I had promised if the amount of money I thought I had given out for change by mistake would be returned. Thanks to this good Saint the mistake was found, and my accounts settled satisfactorily."*

Mrs. F. S., Rochester, N. Y.: *"Please accept this as a thank offering for Saint Anthony, as promised if my son would be spared an operation. Thanks be to this great Saint my prayers were heard and he will not have to undergo a much dreaded operation."*

L. W., Kentucky: *"I asked St. Anthony to please aid me in recovering a lost purse for which I promised publication. Thanks to this never failing friend, my purse was returned untouched, for which I am deeply grateful."*

D. L., Beachmont: *"Kindly accept the enclosed for St. Anthony's Bread Fund in thanksgiving for favors received. I asked the prayers of Our Lady and St. Anthony that my boy would come home safe and protected from harm, and also that my mouth, which was quite sore, would get well; my prayers were answered, thanks be to God, Our Lady and St. Anthony, for which I feel I can never be sufficiently grateful."*

A Client of St. Anthony: *"Sometime ago I wrote and requested a Novena to be said that a certain party would have a happy marriage and also for another favor. Both were received, for which kindly accept the enclosed thank offering for St. Anthony's poor."*

Mrs. H. N., Illinois: *"Having sent in my petitions to be remembered in your Novena to St. Anthony to obtain three special favors with the promise that if I obtained them I would have them published. I now heartily write to inform you that the one I desired the most has been granted me, and I am expecting to receive the others in the near future. The enclosed offering is sent in grateful appreciation."*

I. F., Minnesota: *"Some time ago my cousin's little boy was not expected to live, which was a great cross and cause of much worry and sickness to my dear cousin. I wrote asking the Friars of the Atonement to remember the child in their Perpetual Novena to the Great Wonder Worker, and now with a grateful heart my cousin and I send the enclosed offering in thanksgiving to St. Anthony for the complete recovery of the child, and many thanks also to the Friars for their prayers."*

A. M. C., Washington, D. C.: *"I am enclosing a check in honor of St. Anthony which I promised if I found a very valuable relic. Many thanks for your prayers and also remembrance in your Perpetual Novena, which was the means of my request being promptly answered."*

Mrs. C., New York: *"My son was out of work and had no way of earning his daily bread. I started a Novena to the great Saint of Padua and the very next day he found a position, for which I am deeply grateful, and enclose a small offering to be used as you see fit."*

Mrs. B. J.: *"Enclosed find offering in thanksgiving promised if a request would be granted and for which I made a Novena to St. Anthony; my request was granted in a much better way than expected. St. Anthony surely never fails in aid to those in need."*

Mrs. L., Ohio: *"Enclosed find check to dear St. Anthony's Bread Fund for favors granted through the intercession of this faithful Saint. I am surely grateful for favors received and have implicit faith in St. Anthony."*

Miss C., Oklahoma: *"Enclosed herewith find check as a donation promised to St. Anthony if I procured a certain position. The position was obtained and this is a portion of the donation. The rest will be forwarded soon. Thanking you for your prayers in my behalf in the past and good St. Anthony, who never fails one when interceded, I assure you I will always help his poor whenever I can in grateful appreciation."*

M. W., Chicago, Ill.: *"I promised St. Anthony a donation to his poor if I secured a good position after my operation last fall, and I have been most successful. My mother also wishes to show her appreciation by sending an offering as she found a suitable place to live in. Many thanks to this good Saint, and to you, for your Novena of prayers."*

D. M., Pennsylvania: *"Thanks to good St. Anthony, my sister has been successful in getting into a certain school that she desired, for which kindly accept the enclosed thank offering."*

ST. ANTHONY'S HEREFORD NOVENA

Word has come from Father Salvator that he has just purchased an important property on the corner directly across the street from St. Anthony's Church for a Parish School. The price was $3,500; One Thousand Dollars cash, the rest had to be borrowed.

Now more than ever we ask the Saint's Clients to patronize the Hereford Novena in order to help the Wonder-Working Saint to pay off this debt so that all the sooner a proper school building may take the place of the small bungalow house which now occupies the corner lot mentioned above. The patronage of this Novena has grown very much in the last six months and if it continues to flourish St. Anthony will soon have the new property paid for. Address all petitions and thank offerings to Rev. Father Salvator, S. A., St. Anthony's Church, Hereford, Texas.

Mrs. T. F. N., Waterbury, Conn.: *"Enclosed find an offering in thanksgiving for a very great favor received through the intercession of St. Anthony. Our dear Lord has never refused me a favor that I have asked for through the intercession of St. Anthony."*

Mrs. J. H. S., Troy, N. Y.: *"I promised St. Anthony an offering if my husband would go to confession. He had not been to the Sacraments in two years. Thank God and St. Anthony he has made his peace with God, and I am enclosing the thanksgiving promised."*

J. L. M., Medford, Mass.: *"About the middle of November I requested that my petition be entered in the Novena to St. Anthony and Our Lady of the Atonement. My petition was that my dear mother be spared and restored to health. She was given up by the doctor. She was stricken very suddenly and became dumb and blind. Heaven was stormed with prayers and we have been answered in part. Her speech has been restored, also part of her sight, and she is able to be around the house a little."*

Mrs. F. W. M., Colorado: *"About six months ago I asked the aid of your prayers and promised three dollars if my request was granted. My husband passed the engineer's examination last week, and we feel that nothing but your help got him there."*

THE UNLIGHTED CANDLES

A Story for Young and Old

By Michael V. Simko

While the candles burned before St. Anthony's shrine, the house with the white shutters was as still as a church. Aunt Kate went through the rooms on her toes, her long heavy skirt swishing after her. Mother Lane spoke in whispers; and when the canary started to sing she immediately carried him into the farthest back room. The piano was closed tight and the radio hadn't been connected for a full week. There was no talk, no laughter, no music in the house with the white shutters; there was no sound, except Mother Lane's whispering and Aunt Kate's swishing skirt.

And still the quietness was not only confined to the inside of the house. The children passing the green house with its white blinds hushed their noise and unbuckled their roller skates. And they looked up at the window where a shade was drawn. There was no smiling face to greet them, only the dark, sombre shade holding its secret. And every day after school, Elizabeth and Celia tapped softly on the kitchen door. They wanted to know how Mary Ann was today.

"We prayed for her this morning at school," said Elizabeth.

"And our class offered their Communion for her today," said Celia.

In that upper room, behind the drawn shades lay Mary Ann. And she was just sick enough not to care if the canary did not sing; nor did she notice the roses and carnations on her table; neither could she find the energy to talk to her mother or to thank Aunt Kate. She was in bed, just where the doctor had ordered her a week ago.

But even though she had to take from Aunt Kate a spoonful of bitter medicine every four hours, Mary Ann did not make a face. Even though she could have no candy nor cake, Mary Ann did not frown. And even though she could not attend Elizabeth's birthday party, Mary Ann did not grumble. And her cheerfulness at such a period made Mother Lane and Aunt Kate wonder. For Aunt Kate remembered well what a miss Mary Ann used to make over medicine; and Mother Lane never could remember when Mary Ann did not want candy.

"She's perfectly wonderful," said Aunt Kate, corking the bottle with its brown medicine.

"She's just splendid," said Mother Lane. "I certainly can not understand this remarkable change!"

And Mary Ann knew well enough that she had changed; but she silently promised herself not to reveal the cause of her cheerfulness during her sickness until she was fully recovered. That she would become well quite soon, Mary Ann was certain. And that was another little secret—just between herself and Saint Anthony.

Now Mary Ann very seldom deserved a scolding. She hardly ever neglected to polish her shoes; and she always scrubbed her teeth up and down just as the nurse had instructed her. She combed her hair neatly, ironed her dresses and darned her stockings. She was thankful that God had given her such a devoted mother and father and aunt; and she was just as thankful to have Sister Olivia as a teacher. In the morning as soon as she opened her eyes she clasped her white hands, and looking reverently at a picture of the Blessed Virgin she said a Hail Mary. When she finished she added:

"Thank you, kind Holy Mother of God, for having protected me and mother and father and Aunt Kate during the night, and keep us this day in your care, and help me in my school work."

But, alas, even such a remarkable girl as Mary Ann was not as good as she should have been. Per-

haps it was just thoughtlessness on her part. Certainly Mary Ann would not have been guilty of her faults had she considered the consequences. For, although Mary Ann had many good qualities, she was the victim of an unpleasant habit. She repeatedly put off doing things till tomorrow.

"Oh, well! I'll do it tomorrow," she would say.

Then some evening her mother would ask: "Did you bring those old toys to the little orphans at the Home?"

"No, mother," Mary Ann would say, "but I'll do it tomorrow."

Then her aunt would ask: "Aren't you going to write that letter you owe Cousin Agnes in Cleveland?"

"Oh, yes, Aunt Kate," Mary Ann would answer, "I'll write it tomorrow."

And so it was when she prayed. Every time she prayed to St. Anthony she promised to light a candle in his honor if he would help her. And the Wonder Worker heard her prayers and granted her petition, but, alas, Mary Ann always put off until the next day the intention to light a candle. And the candles were never lighted.

"I'll do it tomorrow," she told herself.

But the tomorrows became todays and the todays stretched into weeks and months, and still Saint Anthony patiently waited for the flaming candles and Mary Ann's prayer of thanks.

And while she kept promising herself to do all these postponed tasks Mary Ann went off one day to school. She did not wear her heavy coat and she refused to put on her overshoes.

"I'll put them on tomorrow," she told her mother.

But that same day the first snow of the year came. It snowed and it rained and the wind blew like a wild thing let loose. It banged the shutters and turned ladies' umbrellas inside out. And the walks became paths of running water. Mary Ann came home in all this, so that her clothes were drenched and her feet wet up to the ankles.

The following morning Mary Ann complained of a sore throat. Her head was hot. Her eyes were dull. She did not care to eat. Somehow she did not feel as she usually did other mornings. She wished her face wasn't so flushed. She winced when she tried to swallow a hot drink that Aunt Kate had prepared.

"I must call the doctor," said Mother Lane.

"Yes, by all means," said Aunt Kate, her heavy skirt swishing along the floor.

When the doctor came he stuck a glass pencil into Mary's mouth. In a few seconds he removed it and looked at it while his heavy eye-brows became severe. And he made a face and grumbled, just as if he were mad over something. Then he held her hand and studied his watch. He snapped the lid of the silver watch and grunted again. In a little while he forced a narrow stick into Mary Ann's throat until she thought he was trying to choke her.

"Young lady," said the doctor, after he found out that the narrow stick couldn't go any deeper down Mary Ann's throat, "Young lady, how would you like to stay in bed for a week?"

"Oh, not today, doctor!" protested Mary Ann, for she was thinking of all the school work she would miss this day. "I'll begin tomorrow."

The doctor smiled; and Aunt Kate smiled; and Mother Lane, she smiled too.

Before the day was done Mary Ann was quite satisfied that she had not gone to school. Somehow she had lost interest in everything. She was utterly miserable and her head was like a heated flat iron and her throat was so full of soreness she could scarcely speak. A few days later when she could swallow a little toast without making a face and when her head had cooled considerably, Mary Ann suddenly saw in her mind a long row of candles. And not one candle was lit! Ten—eleven—twelve and more—yet not a single candle was burning! And St. Anthony was looking down on these stiff, silent candles. And his face was sad—very sad.

"Mother, mother!" she cried.

And Mother Lane hurried in, forgetting to walk on tip-toe; and Aunt Kate followed, her long skirt swishing louder than ever.

"Mother, the candles! I forgot to light the candles!"

"Poor child," said Mother Lane.

"Poor Mary Ann," said Aunt Kate, wiping an unexpected tear.

"No, no! I'm all right, mother! . . . . I'm not sick any more! . . . . I want to light some candles!"

"Hush, child, hush—sh-h, deary;—mother's here—mother—"

"I want to light some candles!" Mary Ann insisted. "I owe it to St. Anthony! I've been going to light a candle before St. Anthony's shrine—and every day I put it off!—I put it off! . . . . 'I'll do it tomorrow,' that's what I would say! . . . . I put it off—just as I put off bringing the toys to the orphans—just as I put off writing to Agnes! . . . . Now I must light the candles—I owe it to St Anthony!"

"Why, Mary Ann!" her mother could not say anything else.

So Aunt Kate called up the pastor, and he agreed to light a row of candles for Mary Ann. Then they told Mary Ann about it; and she smiled happily.

"Now I'm going to get well very soon," said the little girl beneath the heavy blankets; and the shades that were drawn no longer held a secret. "I'm going to be brave and take my medicine, because the bitter thing is my punishment for putting off until tomorrow what could have been done today!"

Then Mary Ann saw in her mind a row of candles. And every one was lit! Ten—eleven—twelve and more—yet not a single one was without its flickering, flaming cap! And St. Anthony was looking down on these white, warm candles. And his face was happy—very happy.

June Letter To Rosarians

Beloved Sons and Daughters of the Atonement: As announced in the Graymoor Annals this month, Twenty Thousand Petitions were sent to Graymoor for Our Lady's May Novena which was solemnly celebrated by the Sisters. These petitions were sent in by Five Thousand Rosarians from all parts of the United States and Canada.

This was indeed a fine record for a single Novena and serves well to illustrate the devotion our Rosarians have to what they have come by common consent to call the "NOVENA OF LAST RESORT," and which, you very well know, always begins on the First Saturday of every month. The thousands of testimonial letters received by our Sisters constitute a never-failing stream of witnesses to the efficacy of Our Lady's invocation under her high-favored title of the ATONEMENT. Indeed we question whether among the many names by which the Mother of God is invoked by her Catholic Children, there is any single one dearer to her than OUR LADY OF THE ATONEMENT; and because this becomes more evident to me all the time I am the more eager to enlist all our Rosarians in a big Rosary League Campaign to make Mary, the Mother of God, better known by her Atonement Name.

At this writing I have no better practical method to recommend by which devotion to Our Lady of the Atonement can be propagated through the zeal of our Rosarians than to try and enlist you all in a united effort to secure a great increase of subscribers to THE CANDLE, the first number of which was issued last October and which makes its appearance four times in the course of the year. Knowing how difficult it is to secure new subscribers to THE LAMP on account of the initial price being $3.00 per annum, we have placed the subscription to THE CANDLE at the merely nominal sum of twenty-five cents per year or five years for $1.00; whereas for $5.00 one may secure a subscription to it FOR LIFE.

In reality THE CANDLE is a Little LAMP and every issue has its own Rosary League Page just as THE LAMP does. It ought to be a very easy matter for our Rosarians to introduce their Catholic neighbors and friends to Our Lady of the Atonement by asking them to subscribe to THE CANDLE. As a certificate of membership to the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost is issued to every new subscriber to THE LAMP, so every new CANDLE Subscriber will receive a Certificate of Enrollment in our Rosary League. Therefore, we ask the co-operation of all our Rosarians in securing new subscribers to THE CANDLE.

I feel sure Our Blessed Mother of the Atonement will smile down upon those who thus co-operate with the Editor in making the Mother of God better known to her Children under her ATONEMENT Title.

Out-door Shrine of Our Lady of the Atonement

Permit me to draw your attention to the Special Intention our Rosarians are asked to pray for during the current month, viz., "THE ABOLITION OF THE OBSCENE FROM AMERICAN LITERATURE." This request will probably surprise you for I dare say not one of our Readers in five hundred has the slightest conception of the depth and breadth of that deluge of printed and pictured obscenity which has inundated America since the World War and which as a matter of fact is undermining the social and moral fabric of the nation.

Supreme Court Justice John Ford of New York delivered an address on "the Crime of Obscenity" at a Knights of Columbus dinner in Boston during Easter week that was a startling revelation to those who heard him and the publicity given to it by our National Catholic News Service will I trust arouse our Catholic

leaders to unite with other great moral leaders of the nation to close the flood-gates to obscene pictures and books which have too long remained open by the failure of the guardians of public decency to enforce the law prohibiting the printing and circulation of bad books and pictures. This is no place to submit the sickening and nauseating evidence of the dreadful laxity which has prevailed since the passing of Anthony Comstock; it will suffice to quote just two paragraphs from Justice Ford's speech to justify my request to our Rosarians to call upon Our Lady to save America from the flood of evil books and pictures which are fast submerging the country. Mr. Ford says:

"The shame of America is that it has become the literary garbage dump of the world. Foreign writers whose works would not be tolerated in their own countries find a ready and profitable market here, where they are palmed off as foreign classics. Last month six thousand foul books and three thousand obscene pictures in a single lot were captured making their way into the port of New York. When the bootleggers can ply their illicit trade so successfully, as we know they do, the bookleggers can do so, too, and they are doing it in violation of the Federal statute declaring the importation of obscene matter a crime punishable by a fine of five thousand dollars and imprisonment for five years, or both."

Holy purity is the virtue we learn to highly exalt, defend and promote at the feet of the ever Virgin Mother of Christ and a prayer to the Queen of Heaven to extirpate the obscene from the literature of our nation is sure to meet with a ready response. Innumerable victories have been achieved through the Rosary and now may we add another on behalf of good books and clean pictures.

FR. PAUL JAMES FRANCIS, S. A.
Spiritual Director.

LOVES HER ROSARY

B. M., New Kensington, Penna.: *"After reading the letter to Rosarians in* THE LAMP, *and look forward for the next one, and also to tell you I never forget my Rosary Decade and the Common Prayers of the Children of the Atonement. I say these with my morning prayers, but the Rosary I say during the day. I love the Rosary, and never forget to use it."*

WOMAN

Not she with trait'rous kiss her Savior stung,
Not she denied Him with unholy tongue;
She, when apostles shrank, could danger brave,
Last at His cross, and earliest at His grave.
—Barrett.

M. K.: "I hope you will be pleased to know that I am a member of the Rosary League, and being remembered in your prayers, I have received much spiritual and temporal benefit for which I am deeply grateful to God, His Holy Mother and to you, dear reverend Sisters."

A. W., Ohio: "A short time ago I asked you to make a Novena to Our Lady of the Atonement. I am now very thankful to say that before the Novena was finished letters began to come in regarding the property, so I know our prayers were heard, and I feel so grateful to Our Lady and the Sisters of the Atonement."

A Client: "Will you kindly have thanks returned for your prayers in averting a law suit?"

Grateful Client: "Enclosed find offering for favor received. Some money which was withheld from my husband and which it seemed he would never get was returned unexpectedly by the very one who declared he could not have it though it rightfully belonged to him."

L. H. T., Chicago, Ill.: "In gratitude to God, Our Lady of the Atonement and dear St. Anthony for many favors received I enclose offering. I wish that all Christendom could realize what wonderful results are obtained by these Novenas. How much would be accomplished for the betterment of this sorely-tried world, through experienced faith, if the world at large realized it."

Mrs. J. J. B., Shenandoah, Pa.: "I wish to thank publicly the Sacred Heart, St. Anthony, and especially Our Lady of Last Resort, for the many favors granted me, two of which I want to make special mention of, namely: The return of my health, which sure was miraculous, and a successful examination for my brother. I again thank our dear Lord most humbly, our Blessed Mother Mary, as also, my own dear mother who has left us, and you, dear Sisters, for your prayers."

A. C. V., Mass.: "I cannot express my gratitude to Our Lady of the Atonement for the favor I received this summer. It enabled me to spend a summer at the seashore, which has been a benefit to my health. There is a little mission church close by so that I can attend Mass and receive Holy Communion every Sunday and can slip in most every day for prayer. When I took this position I feared I had sacrificed my church, but our Blessed Mother made it possible that I should not neglect my duty to God. So, Sister, you can see why I say I cannot express my gratitude."

ROSARY LEAGUE INTERCESSIONS

Intention for the Month of June

Abolition of the Obscene from American Literature

Other Intercessions

Conversion to Christ and Holy Church of the One Thousand Million who are still Pagan. Conversion of all Eastern Schismatics, Anglicans and other Protestants to Catholic Unity. Conversion of the Jews. For the Chinese, Japanese, African and Indian Missions. Supplication for Priests and Religious in their sphere of service.

Spiritual Favors: 4147; **Concerning Vocations to the Priesthood or Religious Life or Guidance therein.** 242; Happy Marriages for 318; Grace of Temperance for 420; **Return to God and the Sacraments.** 791; **Special Intentions** 4108; Conversion to Catholicism, 619; Conversion of Life 638; Happy Death for 352; Repose of Souls, 624; Prayers asked for 195.

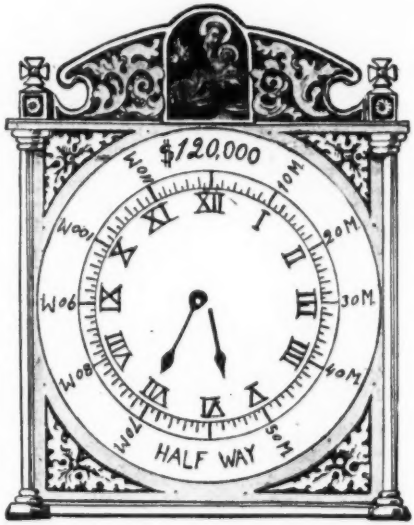
Temporal Favors 2967; Restoration to Health, 3303; Good Sale or Rental, 566; Suitable Employment for 818; Financial Aid for 557; Success for 1014; Safe Delivery for 24; Successful Examination, 18; Increase in Salary, 32; Lost Articles, 70; Thanksgivings rendered by 345.

The Vineyard Payment Made

Words fail the Editor in expressing the gratitude of the Friars of the Atonement to our noble LAMP ARMY and MEMBERS of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* who have responded so MAGNIFICENTLY to the S. O. S. sent out at the beginning of May to our devoted Readers, telling them of the situation which confronted us at Washington, and the necessity of raising, through contributions or loans, the sum of THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS on or before May 28th, at which time the Annual Payment came due on the Vineyard property: $33,000 on the principal of the indebtedness, and $5,000 for six months accumulated interest.

As it is necessary for THE LAMP to go to press before the 28th of the month, this article is being written a few days in advance, but sufficient funds are already in our hands to meet the payment, either in the form of cash donations or else in loans generously placed at our disposal for the emergency. Thus, what we consider as the gravest crisis in the financial history of the Society of the Atonement, has been triumphantly surmounted.

We cannot tell what the next few days may bring forth of Still Further SURPRISES, owing to the GENEROUS GOOD WILL of our Benefactors and the almost universal interest which our Readers are displaying in the purchase of The Vineyard.



Total Contributed—$55,535 Clock Time 5:35.

You will note with satisfaction that the hands of the Clock are now fast approaching the *Sixth Hour* which will mean that *One Half of the One Hundred and Twenty Thousand assigned to Clock Number Eight will have been raised.* It is our hope that this arrival at the Half-Way Point will be registered on the Face of the Dial in next month's LAMP. This will indeed be an ASTONISHING RECORD and one of which we may all be very proud, since it has not been much more than a year ago when Clock Number Eight undertook its herculean task, and to have achieved a record of $60,000 in contributions in so short a time is TRULY A PHENOMENAL ACHIEVEMENT.

Therefore, we ask those of our Readers who, for some cause or another, have not recently sent in a contribution to The Vineyard *to Help Push the Hands Along to* SIX O'CLOCK, so that we may record the arrival of the Fund at the HALF-WAY HOUSE next month.

VINEYARD MITE BOX

We are sending out a special Mite Box on behalf of The Vineyard to those who have already sent us a contribution, and *It Will Help Things Along* WONDERFULLY if EACH ONE *takes an interest in this* Box *and places in it the pennies, the nickles, the dimes, and even the quarters that represent broken fragments of the Dollar Unit,* until the Box is filled, and contents forwarded to Graymoor as Another Offering for CLOCK NUMBER EIGHT.

Again repeating the Profound Gratitude of the Friars of the Atonement to their noble Benefactors, we assure you of our constant prayers, and BLESS YOU *with all the power we possess.*

PREPARING THE ROBINSON MANSION FOR OCCUPANCY IN SEPTEMBER

Now that the May Payment on "The Vineyard" has been successfully met, we shall push repairs on the old Robinson Mansion which are necessary in order that it may be ready for occupancy by our students of Philosophy and Theology in September. A new heating system needs also to be installed. We estimate the entire cost of putting the building in good condition, as our first seminary, at Three Thousand Dollars. Special Contributions for this specific object will be highly appreciated. The furnishings and equipment of the Seminary Chapel we estimate at One Thousand Dollars. Will some one give this as a memorial?

CLOCK NUMBER SEVEN

In gratitude to Our Lady of the Atonement for her wonderful help in meeting our payments on "The Vineyard," we have promised to do our best to help the Belgian Missionary Fathers to finish her beautiful Church at Baguio in the Philippines. So we beg to remind our Readers that about $4,000 is still necessary to finish the task of St. Anthony's Clock Number SEVEN, which was retired over a year ago to give place to Clock Number Eight. Who will rally to our assistance in fulfilling this promise?

"SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS"—A SUGGESTION

To the Editor of THE LAMP:

Some years ago the pastor of St. Mary's Church here instituted a custom which resulted in a tremendous increase in the number of Mass Intentions secured by local churches. He urged the people to send to the homes of deceased persons "Spiritual Bouquets" instead of flowers; and it is now not unusual to see in a local paper obsequies columns such as are printed on the page of one paper which I enclose for your consideration. (The Lawrence Daily Eagle, the paper sent, contains four columns of obituary notices, about one half of which in small type contained nothing but names of those who sent "Spiritual Bouquets.") Each name in the Spiritual Bouquet columns represents at least one Mass for the deceased.

All the churches here now have "spiritual bouquet" cards. The friend or relative of the deceased goes to the parish office, turns in their offering for the Mass or Masses and receives one of these cards addressed to the family of the deceased and giving the name of the donor and the number of Masses to be said. The donor then—as a general rule—takes the card to the mourning house when he or she makes the call previous to the funeral. The cards are arranged on the casket or on a table just as floral offerings would be.

Without considering the spiritual advantage of this custom it will be readily seen that it means a whole lot materially to those who want to show their sympathy to the family of the deceased. From $3 to $5 spent in flowers would result in but a very small tribute—from the size point of view—but $1 and $2 means one or two Masses; and I suppose that hundreds of people who would want to send an offering of sympathy but who could not afford to spend five or ten dollars on flowers are able to send their expression, in the form of a spiritual bouquet, which is really appreciated more than anything sent in form of flowers.

Of course you may know all about this, but on the chance that you do not I thought I would write you about it.

A READER OF THE LAMP.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are quite familiar with the custom of sending Spiritual Bouquets to the house of mourning as a loving tribute to the dead, because many Masses are sent to Graymoor with the request that such Spiritual Bouquet Cards be sent to the family of the deceased.

We are glad, however, to print this letter because no doubt it will be a new thought to many of our Readers, and result in the movement being still further extended. Certainly the custom is an admirable one!

MASSES FOR SOULS IN PURGATORY

To the Editor of THE LAMP: *"Some years ago I was out of work quite a long time. I was completely discouraged and had almost given up hope. I had always great faith in the prayers of the Souls in Purgatory, so I promised if I got steady employment I would give an offering for Masses every week. Thanks to their prayers I have never been out of work since. I would like you to publish this in* THE LAMP, *as it may help others in the same difficulty, and thereby help the Poor Souls."* M. J., Ottawa, Canada.

A KU KLUX ANTHEM

To the Editor of THE LAMP:

There is a report abroad that the K. K. K. has offered big money to anybody who can get up a song that will celebrate its noble aspirations. This has prompted a writer in the New Republic to suggest that now the Klan has acquired an entire university at Valparaiso, Ind., some of the verses might begin with:

"My country Ku Klux Klan,
Down with the Vatican,
Of thee I sing—"

and another verse might read:

"Land where the mob is boss,
Land of the rope and toss,
On every flaming cross
Let freedom swing."

A Reader

GRAYMOOR VILLAGE LOTS POPULAR

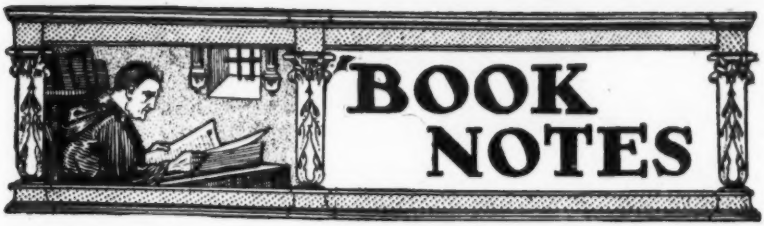
Now is the Time to Purchase

The other day a prominent Grand Knight bought a piece of property in Graymoor Village. Mr. Joseph Hahn's new cottage will be seen on page 167. Several other New York and Brooklyn people have bought Graymoor Village lots. Electricity and water are being brought to these properties, and they will soon be increasing in value. The time to investigate and purchase is NOW!

If you are interested call on or write to Mr. William L. Lally, 154 West 101 St., New York City, or phone him—Clarkson, 0435.

Matrimony is more than a mere matter o' money. *J. A. Holmes.*

In the school of agnosticism the pupil is marked perfect every time he answers, "I don't know."—*J. A. Holmes.*



Chiquita and A Mother's Heart. By Henriette Eugenie Delmare, H. Kilner, Philadelphia. $1.25.

The story runs thus:

At the age of four years, Chiquita, a little Spanish girl, was left an orphan by the death of her heart-broken mother. Taken in charge by the good Nuns of a convent in Santa Benedicta, she was educated and instructed in the truths of her holy religion. She was intensely fond of music, which, together with her sweet silvery voice and her beauty caused her to be much admired.

At twelve years she was kidnapped, in a large automobile, by the Manager of an Opera Company, and so on, to the happy ending.

Abandonment to Divine Providence. By Rev. J. P. de Caussade, S. J., Edited by Rev. J. Caussade, S. J., Translated from the Tenth French Edition by E. J. Strickland. B. Herder Co., St. Louis, Mo., $3.50.

We are indeed glad to see this new edition of one of the most valuable and widely known of all our ascetical works. It is divided into two parts, the first containing the well known treatise on total abandonment to Divine Providence, and the second, the "Letters of Direction" now for the first time translated into English. These letters were addressed to different members of the Visitation Nuns at Nancy.

Dom Arnold, O. S. B., of Buckfast Abbey, writes as follows in his Introduction: "Every page is redolent with the unction of the Spirit of God, and readers will find in his (Father Caussade's) doctrine a heavenly manna, a food of unfailing strength for their souls."

The present translation is beyond praise, for as one reads on it is difficult to realize that it was not written in English. We are deeply grateful for this additional spiritual asset, and may many of our readers enter into its treasures of consolation and direction.

Apocalypse of St. John. By Rev. E. S. Berry, D. D. Publishers, Chas. H. Doran Co., 123 North St., Danbury, Conn. Price $1.50.

Everyone has heard of Antichrist. Who is he? What will he do? When will he come? Is the end of the world near at hand? Will Enoch and Elias return again to earth? If so, when? Where? What will be their mission? Will the Jews embrace the Catholic Religion? Will the Popes ever change their seat in Rome? If so, where will they establish it? These and many other questions are answered in an interesting manner.

Rebuilding a Lost Faith (3rd Edition). By an American Agnostic. Cloth, 8vo, 222 pages. Publishers, P. J. Kenedy & Sons, 44 Barclay St. N. Y. City. Price (now) $2.50 net.

This story of an agnostic, who started his career as a candidate for the Congregational ministry but progressed through rationalism to agnosticism where he remained for 40 years, has had a large meed of praise from critics of all conceivable shades. "Its chief interest lies in its objective character," declares Catholic Book Notes. "Non-Catholics will find it a fairly complete course of rational apologetics." The Catholic Standard and Times of Philadelphia finds it "full of fascination and interest—a book of unusual merit, the apologetic value of which cannot be overrated." The Homiletic and Pastoral Review praises it for thoroughly covering its field, with logical precision and foresight, and stresses the special value contained in the personal element that pervades the book. America sums up: "Placed in the hands of a prospective convert it will do inestimable good, for the style is attractive and the fund of facts rich, and Catholics who read the book will be filled with a fresh appreciation of the Faith that is theirs."

Why Must I Suffer? A Book of Light and Consolation. By Rev. F. J. Remler, C. M., Author of Supernatural Merit. Published by the Franciscan Herald Press, 1434-38 W. 51st Street, Chicago, Ill. Paper, 50 cts. Cloth, $1.00.

The Chapters give fifteen reasons why God permits suffering. We trust the earnest reader will find strength and consolation, which under God's grace will disarm suffering of some of its bitterness, and make a blessing of what is often enough a stumbling block.

America's Debt to Catholics. By Rev. Thomas F. Coakley, D. D. American Pub. Co., Denver, Colo. Price 10 cents.

This pamphlet is a very valuable one. It should be bought in quantities and distributed to the children of our parochial schools and also among our non-Catholic neighbors.

A Missionary Service, Specially Adapted for the CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE and other Missionary Celebrations. Edited and Published by the American Franciscan Missions, 133 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, Cal.

The compiling of this invaluable little brochure was a veritable inspiration. We have seen nothing like it. It is to be highly recommended for use throughout the **Church Unity Octave,** for which it was especially compiled, the form is definitely liturgical and it bears the **Imprimatur** of the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Sacramento and of the V. Rev. Minister Provincial of the Santa Barbara Province of the Friars Minor. It is interesting to recall the fact that in December, 1922, the Provincial Procurators of the American Franciscan Missions, at a Conference in Chicago, adopted the **Church Unity Octave** as a special annual celebration of the Franciscan Missionary Union.

Travelling Light, By Maxmilian J. St. George, Extension Press, Chicago, $2.00; 329 pp., 48 Illustrations.

An interesting bicycle trip through Europe.

OUR REQUIEM MASS LIST

The following is a list of Deceased Subscribers and Near Relatives whose deaths have been reported to us during the last month. The list is restricted to those who die within the subscription year. For them Collectively a Set of Thirty Masses will be said by a Foreign Missionary priest. The number thirty has been chosen because the custom of saying this number of Masses for the repose of a single soul is very ancient, being commonly known by the name of Gregorian Masses. Since these have proven so efficacious for the individual, a set of Thirty Masses said by one priest on thirty consecutive days must also prove efficacious, although the number of souls prayed for be many, for the power of the Holy Sacrifice is unlimited:

Reverend John McGrath, Rev. P. Quinne, Rev. Fr. Schuler, Rev. N. Logan, Rev. Meerschaert, Sister Clotilda, Rev. Fr. Coyle, Sister Patricia O'Toole, Sister Stanislaus, Sister M. Teresa Rooney, Sister M. of Saint Elizabeth, Sister M. of St. Alban, Michael Durkin, Margaret O'Brien, Mrs. M. Gettings, Anastasia Fritsch, Mary Sheridan, George Clark, Daniel McArthur, Joseph Steinhoff, Mr. A. Daly, Louise Bauer, William Morris, Julius Abt, Mr. T. Hauenstein, Mr. and Mrs. P. Dreis, Mrs. Downey, Mrs. Seitz, Emma Doyle, J. Mullen, Mrs. Katherine McSweeney, Veronica Kosbuchi, Thomas and Mary Carrigan, Bartholomew Hayes, Susan Moran, Mrs. Martin Walsh, Howard Yocum, David O'Keeffe, Eileen O'Hara, John Dohm, Mrs. Henry Le Duc, Mary Bowen, Daniel Primes, Mrs. A. Fash, Dr. Arnold Roff, Mrs. William Buckley, Mrs. Elizabeth Sweeney, M. Callogy, Mrs. Anna Neary, Mary Phelan, Mary McGuire, Mrs. B. Durbin, Martin Kirby, Thomas, Frank, Mary and Antonette Gabrish, Mary McPhee, George Sturgis, Mary McGillis, Mrs. John O'Donnell, John Corbitt, John Bocage, David Haggerty, Mrs. E. Schneider, Mrs. Dorsey, Joseph Sajnoga, Charles Thornell, John Guidziejko, Jeremiah Towhill, Edward Genah, Sr., Theresa Keating, Mary Shea, Mrs. Agnes Ulrich, Joseph Felton, Frank Martin, Thomas McHugh, Peter Gebhard, Peter Coleman, William Rowan, John Kiernan, Adam Riegling, John De Haus, Ralph Henry, Morris and Ame Morris, Patrick Shiralin, Ett Sheridan, Patrick and Mary Gavin, Edward and Sarah Kelly, Michael Martin, Joseph Corcoran, Michael Gleeson, James Burns, Mrs. Baggett, Mrs. A. Churgeios, Bridget Campion, Mary Delaney, Nellie Richard, Mrs. Mary Bowersox, Frank Morris, Mrs. Mary Dardis, Mrs. Bridget Ferguson, Mrs. Edward Hoper, Mrs. P. Murray, Margaret Gallagher, John Hooley, John and Matthew Ryan, Mrs. Mary Mahoney, Mrs. Susan Murray, Mary Nugent, Margaret and James Keaney, John, Ann and Mary O'Toole, Stanley Kerfoot, Mrs. Lucy Stenger, Mary Warner, M. Dillon, Mr. P. Flynn, Thomas Garrity, Mrs. Breen, Mary Hoban, Mrs. Ellen Boyle, Mary Keidel, Julia Welsh, Mary Kerr, Mrs. Mary and Timothy O'Connor, Charles Howe, Mary Sheahan, Fred Hersey, Mrs. Maria Goodman, Mrs. C. Ryan, Mrs. A. Pazourek, Mrs. Anne Winters, William Mulvehill, Mary and John McNally, Mrs. S. Richardson, Helen Daly, Mrs. Helen Flaherty, Mrs. Anna Conran, Margaret Rogan, Nellie Galvin, Florence Frech, Thomas Mahoney, Mrs. and Mr. Michael Gill, Michael Linehan, Mrs. M. McIntyre, James and Mary Murphy, Patrick, James and Bridget Ryder, Mary Burke, Mrs. Celia Kilburg Litzel, Mary Smith, Mrs. Catherine Kenedy, Mrs. Mary Mutter, Richard Terry, Arthur Stolting, Elizabeth Coyne, Mrs. N. J. Nye, John McGillen, Frank and Marie Pokos, Elizabeth Clark, Mrs. M. Slattery, Charles Kremer, Mrs. Bridget Burns, Mrs. Frances Brindos, Daniel Fitzpatrick, Mina Mosbacher, Margaret Strohecker, Joseph McIntyre, Mrs. Charlotte Willis, James Martin, Margaret O'Rourke, M. Donohue, Mrs. Maria Crowley, Mrs. M. Cahill, James, John and Ann Casey, Mary Nolan, Bridget Nolan, Bridget Norton, Patrick Cushing, Mrs. Anna Grace, Joseph Tierney, Annie Smith, Catherine McGrane, Joseph Daly, Mrs. Bridget Mullins; Mrs. Annie O'Brien, Victor de Lonne, Josephine Bibbo, B. Brown, John Nash, Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Catherine Gallagher, Annie T. Sullivan, Marie McDonald, Mrs. Elizabeth Dunfrey, John Currid, Mary Catherine Tucker, Monica M. Merrick, William H. Phinn, Mrs. M. Vercoustre, James A. Gleason.

Lux Perpetua Luceat eis, Domine